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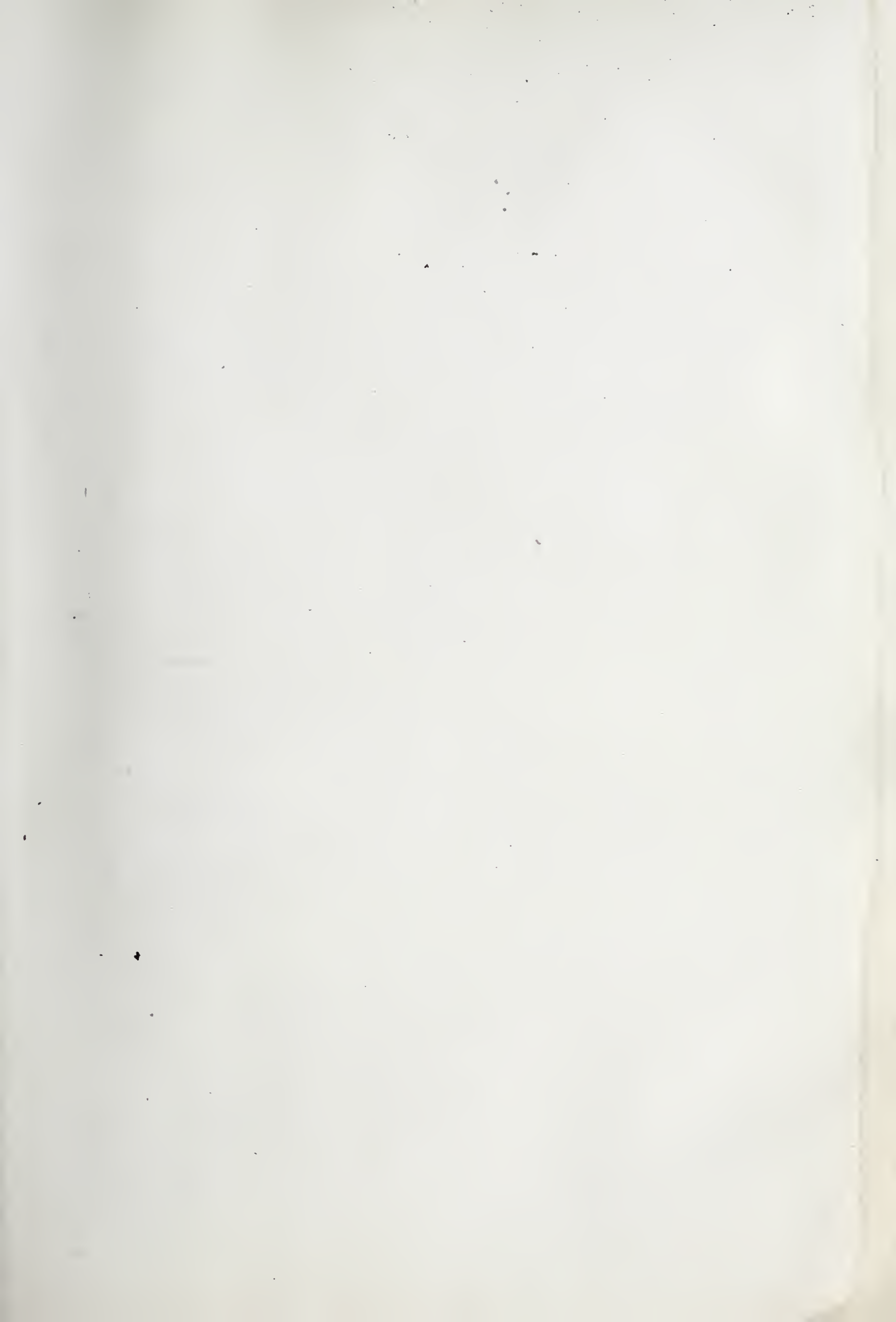


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PROCEEDINGS  
OF  
THE GRAND  
**HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER**  
OF PENNSYLVANIA

AND  
MASONIC JURISDICTION THEREUNTO BELONGING

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 27, 1921  
BEING ITS ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR


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THE GRAND  
HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER  
OF PENNSYLVANIA  
1795-1921

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

HELD AT  
MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,  
MARCH 3, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

PRESENT:

*G. Wm. Jacobs*

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest.</i>
" JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
" GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
" THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
" WARREN T. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Assistant Grand Secretary.</i>
" REV. WILLIAM B. CHALFANT,			<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" REV. JOHN G. WILSON,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" S. E. BURKE KINSLOE,	.	.	<i>Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
" P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	.	.	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
" ROBERT A. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
" FRANCIS L. BORIE,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
" RALPH C. MINEHART,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
" WILLIAM B. KROPP,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
" AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	.	.	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE B. HANNUM,	.	.	<i>Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
" WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR.,	.	.	<i>Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
" CHARLES H. WEAVER,	.		<i>as Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions PAUL J. PONTIUS, ROBERT G. SMITH, WESLEY R. MORGAN, MILTON E. GINGRICH, JOHN H. BENNETT, CHARLES R. ROBERTS, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, JAMES E. MORRIS, WILLIAM F. SHAY, ARTHUR W. GILLAN, ROY C.



STORMER, JAMES H. REEDER, WALTON K. SWETLAND, THOMAS N. McKEE, GEORGE F. RODGERS, EDMUND W. BOOTS, JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, PETER BARKEY, CHARLES E. COOPER.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions HIBBERT P. JOHN, WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, CARL A. SUNDSTROM, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS.

*Grand Representatives.*

Comp. WILLIAM A. RHOADS, of Grand Chapter of Alabama.

- “ ANDREW H. HERSHEY, of Grand Chapter of California.
- “ SAMUEL SHAW, of Grand Chapter of Canada.
- “ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.
- “ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.
- “ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.
- “ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.
- “ CHARLES E. COOPER, of Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.
- “ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.
- “ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Grand Chapter of New Hampshire.
- “ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.
- “ CARL A. SUNDSTROM, of Grand Chapter of Ohio.
- “ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.
- “ A. HOWARD THOMAS, of Grand Chapter of South Carolina.
- “ HIBBERT P. JOHN, of Grand Chapter of Tennessee.
- “ PETER BARKEY, of Grand Chapter of South Dakota.
- “ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.
- “ ARTHUR W. GILLAN, of Grand Chapter of Washington.
- “ WILLIAM E. PERRY, of Grand Chapter of Wisconsin.
- “ WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Grand Chapter of Wyoming.

Companions of Chapters Nos. 3, 21, 43, 52 91, 152, 162, 169, 174, 175, 183, 186, 189, 190, 192, 195, 196, 198, 199, 202, 208, 209, 216, 219, 220, 222, 226, 227, 228, 232, 233. 234, 237, 238, 240, 243, 245, 246, 248, 250, 251, 255, 256, 257, 258, 262, 263, 267, 271, 274, 275, 278, 284, 286, 297, 301, 303, 307. (58 Chapters.) (146 members.) (45 visitors.)

*Distinguished Visitors:*—Companion JOHN S. SELL, R. W. Grand Master, F. and A. M. of Pennsylvania, and Companion THOMAS R. PATTON, R. E. Grand Commander, K. T. of Pennsylvania.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M.



The minutes of the Annual Grand Communication, held on Friday, December 27, 1920, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed amendments to By-laws of Chapters Nos. 162, 172, 189, 198, 199, 208, 226, 240, 242, 259, 262, 271, 284, 288, 294 and 305 were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report which was received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes:

#### QUARTERLY REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, February 23, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary from November 20, 1920, to February 19, 1921, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers showing:

#### RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$26,178 10
“ Certificates .....	16 00
“ Constitutions .....	1 00
“ Dispensations .....	1 00
“ Interest on Investments .....	337 25
“ Sale of Ledger Sheets .....	75 00
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	\$26,608 35
To which add Balance November 20, 1920....	14,970 58
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Total .....	\$41,578 93



## DISBURSEMENTS.

For Clothing and Furniture .....	\$47 65
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	1,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	2,915 84
“ Expenses Past Grand High Priests and other Grand Officers .....	533 32
“ Expenses One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anni- versary .....	4,483 83
“ Instruction in the Work .....	60 00
“ Jewel, Past Grand High Priest Davis .....	150 00
“ Donation to the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania .....	500 00
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	535 07
“ Salaries .....	950 00
“ Telephone .....	34 49
“ Organist .....	60 00
“ Bond of Grand Treasurer .....	12 50
“ Flowers for Funeral .....	15 00
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	\$11,297 70
To which add Balance February 19, 1921....	30,281 23
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Total .....	\$41,578 93

Fraternally submitted,

A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,

E. MARSHALL HARVEY,

McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE,

*Committee.*

The Committee on By-laws presented the following report, which was received, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, March 3, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the  
Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-Laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws referred to them and offer the following resolution:



*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Chapters Nos. 162, 172, 189, 198, 199, 208, 226, 240, 242, 259, 262, 271, 284, 288, 294 and 305 be approved.

Fraternally submitted,

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WM. R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL,

*Committee.*

The Committee on Printing and Publishing presented the following report:

PHILADELPHIA, March 3, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the  
Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

MOST EXCELLENT SIR AND COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on Printing and Publishing begs leave to report that bids for printing and publishing the Proceedings of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter for the year 1920 were asked from several reputable firms, and the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, the International Printing Company.

The Proceedings will contain a full account of the celebration of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter, and will also contain a number of steel engravings in connection therewith.

Arrangements are now being made to go to print at an early date, and the work will be distributed just as soon as it can possibly be done.

Fraternally yours,

LOUIS M. WAGNER,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
FRANK E. TOWNSEND,  
MURRAY GORGAS,  
ROBERT W. VOGT,

*Committee.*

The Most Excellent Grand Secretary reported that all General Returns from Chapters and Mark Lodges had been received, and presented the following Annual Report of Work and Membership of the Chap-



## ters and Mark Lodges of the Jurisdiction for the year ended December 27, 1920:

PHILADELPHIA, March 3, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Most Excellent Grand Secretary presents the Annual Report of the Work and Membership of the Chapters and Mark Lodges of the Jurisdiction for the year ended December 27, 1920, as follows:

### CHAPTERS.

Membership, December 27, 1919, as per last report .....	44,049
Admitted during the year 1920 .....	287
Restored to Membership during 1920 .....	106
Marked, etc. ....	5,519
	<hr/> 5,912
	<hr/> 49,961

### DEDUCT.

Died during 1920 .....	726
Resigned or membership ceased .....	259
Suspended .....	148
	<hr/> 1,133

Membership December 27, 1920, per returns .....	48,828
A net gain of .....	4,780
Rejected .....	149
Restored G. M. S. ....	50

### MARK LODGES.

Membership December 27, 1919, per last report .....	168
Admitted during the year 1920 .....	7
	<hr/> 175

### DEDUCT.

Died during the year 1920 .....	5
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Membership December 27, 1920, per returns .....	170
Number of Chapters .....	148
Number of Mark Lodges .....	2

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
Grand Secretary.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest announced the appointment of Companion FRANK C. YINGST as District Deputy Grand High Priest of District No. 8 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Companion JAMES E. MORRIS.

Communications were received announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion JOSEPH C. GREENFIELD, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Georgia. Died December 20, 1920.

M. E. Companion GILBERT L. HEWITT, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut. Died January 11, 1921.

The Grand Chapter was "called off" for the purpose of exemplifying the Degree of Mark Master Mason.

A Lodge of Mark Master Masons was opened and the Degree of Mark Master Mason was exemplified by the Instructors in Capitular Schools, East and West, Companion FREDERICK P. GLASSER acting as Worshipful Master.

The Lodge of Mark Master Masons was closed.

The Grand Chapter was "called on."

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at nine o'clock and fifty-five minutes P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*



## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,

JUNE 2, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

PRESENT:

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest.</i>
“ JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
“ GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
“ THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ WARREN T. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Assistant Grand Secretary.</i>
“ REV. JOHN G. WILSON,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ REV. GEORGE W. WELLBURN,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ REV. FRANCIS M. TAITT,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE,	.	.	<i>Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
“ P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	.	.	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
“ ROBERT A. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
“ FRANCIS L. BORIE,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
“ ROBERT D. COLE,	.	as	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. KROPP,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
“ AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	.	.	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ GEORGE B. HANNUM,	.	.	<i>Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
“ WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR.,	.	.	<i>Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
“ CHARLES S. WOOD,	.	.	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions PAUL J. PONTIUS, ROBERT G. SMITH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, J. HOWARD S. BARNES, WESLEY R. MORGAN, CHARLES R. ROBERTS, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, WILLIAM F. SHAY, ARTHUR W. GILLAN, ROY C. STORMER, JAMES H. REEDER, THOMAS N. MCKEE, CHARLES B. RUCH, EDMUND W. BOOTS, JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, PETER BARKEY.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions HIBBERT P. JOHN, WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS.

*Grand Representatives.*

- Comp. WILLIAM A. RHOADS, of Grand Chapter of Alabama.  
“ OWEN W. METZGAR, of Grand Chapter of Alberta.  
“ ANDREW H. HERSHEY, of Grand Chapter of California.  
“ SAMUEL SHAW, of Grand Chapter of Canada.  
“ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.  
“ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.  
“ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.  
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.  
“ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.  
“ CHARLES E. COOPER, of Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.  
“ CHARLES H. TILTON, of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.  
“ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Grand Chapter of New Hampshire.  
“ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.  
“ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.  
“ THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.  
“ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.  
“ A. HOWARD THOMAS, of Grand Chapter of South Carolina.  
“ PETER BARKEY, of Grand Chapter of South Dakota.  
“ HIBBERT P. JOHN, of Grand Chapter of Tennessee.  
“ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.  
“ ARTHUR W. GILLAN, of Grand Chapter of Washington.  
“ WILLIAM E. PERRY, of Grand Chapter of Wisconsin.  
“ WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Grand Chapter of Wyoming.

Companions of Chapters Nos. 3, 21, 43, 52, 91, 152, 162, 165, 169, 171, 175, 176, 177, 183, 190, 192, 197, 198, 201, 202, 203, 208, 209, 216, 219, 220, 226, 232, 233, 234, 237, 240, 243, 245, 246, 248, 250, 251, 256, 258, 262, 264, 266, 267, 271, 275, 278, 283, 284, 301, 303, 306, 307. (53 Chapters.) (118 members.) (31 visitors.)

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held on Thursday, March 3, 1921, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws of Chapter No. 261 and proposed amendments to By-laws from Chapters Nos. 52, 91, 166, 200, 206, 209, 228, 233, 237, 243,



246 and 262 were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes:

#### QUARTERLY REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 2, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary from February 19, 1921, to May 26, 1921, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:

#### RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$3,074 85	
“ Certificates .....	4 00	
“ Constitutions .....	17 00	
“ Sale of Ledger Sheets .....	24 00	
“ Interest on Deposits .....	227 29	
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	\$3,347 14	
To which add Balance February 19, 1921 .....	30,281 23	
	<hr/>	\$33,628 37

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

For Clothing and Furniture .....	\$41 25	
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	1,000 00	
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	166 26	
“ Expenses other Grand Officers .....	90 20	
“ Instruction in the Work .....	160 20	
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	175 28	
“ Salaries .....	1,325 00	
“ Telephones .....	15 96	
“ One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary ....	75 00	
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	\$3,049 15	
To which add Balance May 26, 1921 .....	30,579 22	
	<hr/>	\$33,628 37

Fraternally submitted,

A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,  
E. MARSHALL HARVEY,  
J. THOMAS MOORE,  
McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE,  
Committee.

The following report of the Committee on By-laws was received and read and the resolutions attached thereto were, upon motion duly made and seconded, adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, June 2, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-Laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed By-Laws and proposed Amendments to By-Laws referred to them and offer the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, that the proposed By-Laws of Chapter No. 261 be approved.

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Chapters Nos. 52, 166, 206, 233, 237, 243, 246, 262 and 228 be approved.

Chapter No. 91 has offered some Amendments to its By-Laws, one of which proposes an Amendment to Article IX, Section 1. This Amendment proposes to strike out the word "Twenty" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Ten." This is in strict violation of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, Article XIV, Section 32. The other point of the proposed Amendment is correct, and the Committee offers the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapter No. 91 be approved, except the portion requesting the striking out of the word "Twenty" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Ten."

Chapter No. 200 has offered some Amendments to its By-Laws. One of them provides to amend Article IV, Section 4, by striking out the word "Four" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "50 cents per member." There is nothing in the Constitution of the Grand Chapter prohibiting such an amendment. But the Committee is of the opinion that the salary of the Secretary should be a fixed sum. The Committee therefore offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapter No. 200 be approved, except the proposed Amendment to Article IV, Section 4.

*Resolved*, that the salary of the Secretaries be a fixed sum, and not an elastic one.

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapter No. 209 be approved, but that the Chapter be requested to adopt a new set of By-Laws in accordance with the form approved by the Grand Chapter December 3, 1908.

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WM. R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL,

*Committee.*



A petition was received from a number of Companions of Philadelphia, not members of a Chapter, praying for a Warrant to constitute a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons to be known as Ivanhoe Royal Arch Chapter. Upon motion it was referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

A petition was received from a number of Companions of Latrobe, not members of a Chapter, praying for a Warrant to constitute a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons to be known as Anderson Royal Arch Chapter. Upon motion it was referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

The following Amendment to Article III, Section 1, of the Constitution was offered by the Grand Secretary.

*Resolved*, that Article III, Section 1, be amended by adding specification as follows:

V. Past High Priests of one full year's service in other Jurisdictions who have had the Order of High Priesthood conferred upon them and who have become members of lawfully warranted and duly constituted Chapters under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, who are approved by a majority of the members present at any Quarterly Communication of this Grand Chapter, after having been duly recommended by two members at a previous Quarterly Communication and due notice having been given to all members of Grand Chapter.

Communications were received announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion NATHAN S. PORTER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Washington. Died December 25, 1920.

M. E. Companion EDWARD E. KIDDLE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Oregon. Died December 28, 1920.

R. E. Companion ANDREW P. TROGDEN, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee. Died January 17, 1921.

M. E. Companion I. W. IREDELL, JR., Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio. Died January 27, 1921.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM N. HOWE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maine. Died February 13, 1921.

M. E. Companion CHARLES H. JACOBSON, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado. Died February 20, 1921.

M. E. Companion EDWIN J. GRIFFIN, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland. Died February 22, 1921.

M. E. Companion EDMOND H. HOYLE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Indian Territory. Died March 6, 1921.

Companion THOMAS M. HORSFAL, Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Arkansas. Died March 8, 1921.

M. E. Companion PHILIP A. MATLOCK, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee. Died March 25, 1921.



M. E. Companion DAVID WOODWARD, Honorary Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan. Died March 20, 1921.

The Grand Chapter was “called off” for the purpose of exemplifying the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason.

A Lodge of Most Excellent Master Masons was opened and the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason was exemplified by the Instructors of the Capitular Schools, East and West, Companion HENRY S. HAZLETT, of Chapter No. 240, Acting Most Excellent Master.

The work was done correctly, eliciting much praise from the Grand Officers.

The Lodge of Most Excellent Master Masons was closed and the Grand Chapter was “called on.”

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at eight o'clock and fifty-five minutes P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,

SEPTEMBER 8, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

PRESENT:

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest.</i>
“ JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
“ GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
“ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ WARREN T. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Assistant Grand Secretary.</i>
“ REV. WILLIAM B. CHALFANT,			<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON,	.		<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE,	.	.	<i>Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
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“ FRANCIS L. BORIE,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
“ ROBERT D. COLE,	.	as	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
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“ WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions PAUL J. PONTIUS, ROBERT G. SMITH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, WESLEY R. MORGAN, MILTON E. GINGRICH, CHARLES R. ROBERTS, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, ARTHUR W. GILLAN, JAMES H. REEDER, GEORGE F. RODGERS, EDMUND W. BOOTS, JOHN A. ARMSTRONG.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions HIBBERT P. JOHN, WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS.



*Grand Representatives.*

Comp. WILLIAM A. RHOADS, of Grand Chapter of Alabama.

“ FRANK W. MARTENIS, of Grand Chapter of Arkansas.

“ ANDREW H. HERSHEY, of Grand Chapter of California.

“ SAMUEL SHAW, of Grand Chapter of Canada.

“ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.

“ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.

“ EDWARD HOPE, of Grand Chapter of Kansas.

“ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.

“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.

“ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.

“ CHARLES H. TILTON, of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

“ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Grand Chapter of New Hampshire.

“ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.

“ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.

“ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.

“ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.

“ A. HOWARD THOMAS, of Grand Chapter of South Carolina.

“ HIBBERT P. JOHN, of Grand Chapter of Tennessee.

“ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.

“ ARTHUR W. GILLAN, of Grand Chapter of Washington.

Companions of Chapters Nos. 3, 21, 43, 52, 91, 152, 162, 165, 169, 174, 175, 176, 177, 183, 190, 196, 197, 198, 201, 202, 208, 216, 219, 220, 230, 232, 233, 234, 236, 237, 240, 243, 245, 246, 248, 250, 251, 256, 258, 262, 266, 270, 271, 274, 282, 284, 297, 301, 307. (49 Chapters.) (100 members.) (17 visitors.)

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held on Thursday, June 2, 1921, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws of Chapter No. 283 and amendments to the By-laws of Chapters Nos. 183, 197, 200, 274 and 301 were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Committee on Finance presented the following Quarterly Report, which was received and ordered spread in full on the minutes:

#### QUARTERLY REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, September 5, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary from May 26, 1921, to August 23, 1921, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:

#### RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$949 70
“ Certificates .....	14 00
“ Constitutions .....	9 25
“ Dispensations .....	1 00
“ Interest on Investments .....	1,216 87
“ Warrant for Chapter No. 308 .....	200 00
Total for the Quarter .....	\$2,390 82
To which add Balance May 26, 1921 .....	30,579 22
	<hr/> \$32,970 04

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

For Charity .....	\$100 00
“ Clothing and Furniture .....	14 25
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	1,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	173 09
“ Expenses P. G. H. P.'s and other Grand Officers .....	73 20
“ Expenses Instruction in the Work .....	82 16
“ Investments .....	14,914 26
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	1,032 91
“ Salaries .....	1,325 00
“ Telephones .....	44 78
“ One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary ....	3,694 03
Total for the Quarter .....	\$22,453 68
To which add Balance August 23, 1921 .....	10,516 36
	<hr/> \$32,970 04

Fraternally submitted,

A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,  
McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE,  
J. THOMAS MOORE,

*Committee.*



The Committee on By-laws presented the following report, which was received and the resolutions attached thereto unanimously adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, September 8, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-Laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed By-Laws and proposed Amendments to the By-Laws referred to them and offer the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, that the proposed By-Laws of Chapter No. 283 be approved.

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapters Nos. 183, 200, 274 and 304 be approved.

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapter No. 197 be not approved, and that the Chapter be requested to prepare a new set of By-Laws in accordance with the form approved by the Grand Chapter December 3, 1908.

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapter No. 91 be reconsidered by the Committee.

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WILLIAM R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL.

*Committee.*

The Committee on Charity reported that on account of an emergency the sum of two hundred dollars had been disbursed by the Grand High Priest and recommended the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the Most Excellent Grand High Priest be authorized to draw his warrants upon the Grand Treasurer in the sum of two hundred dollars to cover the sum expended for charity.

Upon motion it was unanimously agreed to.

Companion ANDREW H. HERSHEY, Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of California, near the

Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, reported that he had visited some of the subordinate Chapters of the Jurisdiction of California. That he had been most cordially received and shown many courtesies by the Companions of that Jurisdiction.

Communications were received from Grand Chapters announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion ROBERT L. FULTON, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland. Died October 26, 1920.

M. E. Companion JOHN D. HAMMOND, Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nevada. Died December 4, 1920.

M. E. Companion FRANCIS E. NICHOLS, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia. Died December 2, 1920.

E. Companion THOMAS W. HENNEN, Grand Master First Vail of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia. Died November 29, 1920.

M. E. Companion YANCEY C. BLALOCK, Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Washington. Died May 12, 1921.

M. E. Companion WALLING W. VAN WINKLE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia. Died April 15, 1921.



M. E. Companion FRANK N. FOWLER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Iowa. Died June 4, 1921.

M. E. Companion DAVID L. PARAMORE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Washington. Died August 7, 1921.

The Grand Chapter was "called off" for the purpose of exemplifying the Degree of Royal Arch Mason.

A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was opened and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason was exemplified by the Instructors of the Capitular Schools, East and West, Companion JOHN W. BRANDON Acting Most Excellent High Priest. The work was most creditable and occasioned much favorable comment.

The Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was closed.

The Grand Chapter was "called on."

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at nine o'clock and twenty minutes P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,

DECEMBER 8, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

PRESENT:

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest.</i>
" JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
" GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
" THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
" WARREN T. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Assistant Grand Secretary.</i>
" REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" S. E. BURKE KINSLOE,	.	.	<i>Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
" P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	.	.	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
" ROBERT A. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
" FRANCIS L. BORIE,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
" RALPH C. MINEHART,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
" WILLIAM B. KROPP,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
" AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	.	.	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE B. HANNUM,	.	.	<i>Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
" WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR.,	.	.	<i>Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
" CHARLES S. WOOD,	.	.	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:* Companions PAUL J. PONTIUS, ROBERT G. SMITH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, WESLEY R. MORGAN, MILTON E. GINGRICH, JOHN H. BENNETT, CHARLES R. ROBERTS, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, WILLIAM F. SHAY, ARTHUR W. GILLAN, ROY C. STORMER, JAMES H. REEDER, JOHN B. MANN, WALTON K. SWETLAND, THOMAS N. MCKEE, GEORGE W. RODGERS, CHARLES B. RUCH, EDMUND W. BOOTS, JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, HUGH M. MARQUIS, PETER BARKEY, CHARLES E. COOPER.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions HIBBERT P. JOHN, HENRY OSCAR KLINE, WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, CARL A. SUNDSTROM, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS.



*Grand Representatives.*

- Comp. WILLIAM A. RHOADS, of Grand Chapter of Alabama.
- “ OWEN W. METZGAR, of Grand Chapter of Alberta.
- “ WILLIAM MCCOMBS, of Grand Chapter of Arkansas.
- “ ROBERT E. UMBEL, of Grand Chapter of British Columbia.
- “ ANDREW H. HERSHEY, of Grand Chapter of California.
- “ IRA GEORGE ROSS, of Grand Chapter of Connecticut.
- “ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.
- “ HENRY O. KLINE, of Grand Chapter of Florida.
- “ THOMAS N. MCKEE, of Grand Chapter of Georgia.
- “ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.
- “ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.
- “ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.
- “ GEORGE A. GORGAS, of Grand Chapter of Maine.
- “ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.
- “ CHARLES E. COOPER, of Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.
- “ JAMES E. MORRIS, of Grand Chapter of Mississippi.
- “ CHARLES H. TILTON, of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.
- “ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Grand Chapter of New Hampshire.
- “ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.
- “ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.
- “ CARL A. SUNDSTROM, of Grand Chapter of Ohio.
- “ THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.
- “ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.
- “ JOHN MCKAIN, of Grand Chapter of Quebec.
- “ A. HOWARD THOMAS, of Grand Chapter of South Carolina.
- “ PETER BARKEY, of Grand Chapter of South Dakota.
- “ JOHN S. WALLACE, of Grand Chapter of Scotland.
- “ HIBBERT P. JOHN, of Grand Chapter of Tennessee.
- “ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.
- “ ARTHUR W. GILLAN, of Grand Chapter of Washington.
- “ WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Grand Chapter of Wyoming.

Chapters Nos. 3, 21, 43, 52, 91, 150, 152, 159, 161, 162, 163, 165, 166, 167, 169, 170, 171, 172, 174, 175, 177, 178, 180, 181, 182, 183, 185, 190, 193, 194, 196, 197, 199, 200, 202, 203, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 212, 214, 215, 217, 222, 224, 225, 226, 228, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 240, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 251, 252, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 270, 273, 275, 277, 278, 279, 280, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 288, 289, 290, 291, 293, 299, 300, 302, 306, 307, 308. (103 Chapters.) (194 members.) (2 visitors.)

The Grand Chapter was honored by the presence of M. E. Companion WILLIAM E. KRUPP, Grand High Priest of West Virginia.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at two o'clock P. M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held on Thursday, September 8, 1921, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws of Chapters Nos. 163, 197 and 308 and proposed amendments to By-laws of Chapters Nos. 197, 202, 208, 219, 234, 236, 256 and 287 were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Trustees made the following report, which was received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes:

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GRAND CHAPTER.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 2, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Trustees of the Grand Chapter present this, their Thirteenth Annual Report:

There was on hand at last report, as per list therein set forth  
securities as of par value of ..... \$66,400 00  
During the year there was received from the Grand Chapter for  
investment ..... 14,914 26  
With which were purchased Fourth 4¼ per cent. United States  
Liberty Loan Bonds as follows:  
One (1) \$5,000 Bond numbered C00053043.... \$5,000 00  
Two (2) \$1,000 Bonds, numbered G01383187 and  
D01497744 ..... 2,000 00



Ten (10) \$1,000 Bonds numbered G01383177,  
H01383178, J01383179, K 0 1 3 8 3 1 8 0,  
A01383181, B01383182, C 0 1 3 8 3 1 8 3,  
D01383184, E01383185, F01383186, which  
were immediately exchanged for

One (1) \$10,000 Bond numbered G00143917 .. \$10,000 00

Total ..... \$17,000 00

The following \$1,000 United States Liberty Loan  
Bonds were withdrawn:

Eleven (11) \$1,000 Bonds, Nos. 281616, 281617,  
281618, 281619, 2343717, 2343718, 2343719,  
2343720, 2343721, 3051597, 1506726 ..... \$11,000 00

One (1) \$100 Bond numbered 10150657..... 100 00  
and converted into Fourth 4¼ per cent.

United States Liberty Loan Bonds as fol-  
lows:

One (1) \$10,000 Bond numbered K00006260.. 10,000 00

One (1) \$1,000 Bond numbered A01130671.... 1,000 00

One (1) \$100 Bond numbered A02146411 ..... 100 00

Cash on hand ..... \$31 61

The securities now on hand in the safe deposit box  
of the Philadelphia Trust Company, consist of the  
following:

#### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

One (1) \$1,000 Certificate No. 317, School, City of Philadel-  
phia, 3½ per cent., loan of 1920, principal due  
July 1, 1932, interest due January 1 and July 1 \$1,000 00

One (1) \$500 Certificate No. 321, School, City of Philadel-  
phia, 3½ per cent. loan of 1904, principal  
due July 1, 1934, interest due January 1 and  
July 1 ..... 500 00

Five (5) \$1,000 Electric & Peoples Stock Trust Certificate, 4  
per cent., Nos. A9448, 9449, 9450, 9451 and  
9452, principal due 1945, interest due April 1  
and October 1 ..... 5,000 00

One (1) \$2,000 Certificate No. 3, City of Philadelphia, regis-  
tered 4 per cent. loan, due January 1, 1945, in-  
terest due January 1 and July 1 ..... 2,000 00

One	(1)	\$500	Certificate No. 28, City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent. registered loan, due January 1, 1945, interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	\$500 00
Five	(5)	\$1,000	Bonds, Pennsylvania Company Gold Loans, 4 per cent., Nos. 5976, 5977, 5978, 5979 and 5980, principal due April 1, 1931, interest due April 1 and October 1 .....	5,000 00
Five	(5)	\$1,000	Bonds, Reading Company, Jersey Central, collateral gold 4 per cent. Nos. 19953, 19954, 19955, 19956, and 19957, principal due April 1, 1951, interest due April 1 and October 1.....	5,000 00
Two	(2)	\$1,000	Bonds, Market Street Elevated Passenger Railway, gold 4 per cent. Nos. 8630 and 8897, principal due May 1, 1955, interest due May 1 and November 1 .....	2,000 00
Three	(3)	\$1,000	Bonds, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, gold 4 per cent. Nos. 53233, 53232, and 59829, interest due May 1 and November 1 .....	3,000 00
Five	(5)	\$1,000	Bonds, Reading Company, general mortgage 4 per cent. Nos. M32555, M32556, M42522, M47884, and 62867, principal due January 1, 1997, interest due January 1 and July 1....	5,000 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	Bond, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad, First Mortgage 3½ per cent., No. M2044, principal due June 1, 1997, interest due June 1 and December 1 .....	1,000 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	Bond, No. 7023, New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk R. R. Stock trust certificates, 4 per cent., principal due June 1, 1948, interest due June 1 and December 1 .....	1,000 00
One	(1)	\$2,000	Certificate, No. 21 City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., loan, principal due January 1, 1946 (registered), interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	2,000 00
One	(1)	\$100	Certificate, No. 138, City of Philadelphia 4 per cent., loan, principal due January 1, 1946 (coupons), interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	100 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	United States First Liberty Loan, 3½ per cent., coupon bond, No. 19023, due June 15, 1947, interest due June 15 and December 15 .....	1,000 00
One	(1)	\$2,000	City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., registered bond, No. 33, principal due November 1, 1943, interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	2,000 00



One	(1)	\$200	City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., registered bond No. 124, interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	\$200 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	Bond, No. 655, City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., registered loan of July 14, 1910, principal due July 1, 1940, interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	1,000 00
Ten	(10)	\$1,000	United States Second Liberty Loans $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. coupon Gold Bonds of 1927, 1942. Nos. of Bonds, D00056439, D00056444, A00056441, B00056442, C00056443, A00175931, B00175932, E00056440, E00056445, D01067709. Interest due May 15 and November 15 .....	10,000 00
Eight	(8)	\$1,000	United States Third Liberty Loan Convertible $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. coupon Gold Bonds of 1928. Nos. of bonds, 477097, 477098, 477099, 477100, 477101, 477102, 477103, 477104. Interest due March 15 and September 15 .....	8,000 00
One	(1)	\$5,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. coupon Gold Bond of 1933-1938, numbered C00053043, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	5,000 00
Two	(2)	\$1,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. coupon Gold Bond of 1933-1938, numbered G01383187, G01497744. Interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	2,000 00
One	(1)	\$10,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. coupon Gold Bond of 1933-1938, numbered G00143917, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	10,000 00
One	(1)	\$10,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. coupon Gold Bonds of 1933-1938, numbered K00006260, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	10,000 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. coupon Gold Bond of 1933-1938, numbered A01130671, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	1,000 00
One	(1)	\$100	United States Fourth Liberty Loan $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. coupon Gold Bond of 1933-1938, numbered A02146411, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	100 00
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				\$83,400 00

## INCOME ACCOUNT.

## RECEIPTS.

1920.			
December	2,	Check, New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk....	\$17 50
1921.			
January	3,	Check, City of Philadelphia 4 per cent. ....	154 00
"	3,	Check, City of Philadelphia 3½ per cent. ....	26 25
"	20,	Coupon, City of Philadelphia No. 138 ....	2 00
"	20,	Coupon, Liberty Loan 3½ per cent. ....	17 50
"	20,	Coupon, Reading Company .....	100 00
"	20,	New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk, Coupon..	20 00
April	2,	Check, Electric & Peoples Traction Company	100 00
May	26,	Coupons, Market St. Elevated Railway .....	40 00
"	26,	Coupons, Reading Company .....	100 00
"	26,	Coupons, Pennsylvania Company .....	100 00
"	26,	Coupons, United States Third Liberty Loan 4¼ per cent. ....	170 00
"	26,	Coupons, United States Fourth Liberty Loan 4¼ per cent. ....	235 87
"	26,	Coupons, United States Second Liberty Loan 4¼ per cent. ....	233 75
June	4,	Check, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern .....	17 50
July	2,	Check, City of Philadelphia 4 per cent.....	154 00
"	2,	Check, City of Philadelphia 3½ per cent.....	26 25
"	21,	Coupon, City of Philadelphia .....	2 00
"	21,	Coupon, New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk..	20 00
"	21,	Coupon, Liberty Loan 3½ per cent. ....	17 50
October	24,	Check, Electric & Peoples Traction Company..	100 00
"	24,	Coupons, Pennsylvania Company .....	100 00
"	24,	Coupons, Reading Company .....	100 00
"	24,	Coupons, United States Third Liberty Loan 4¼ per cent. ....	170 00
"	24,	Coupons, United States Fourth Liberty Loan 4¼ per cent. ....	235 88
"	24,	Coupons, United States Fourth Liberty Loan 4¼ per cent. ....	361 25
Total .....			\$2,621 25

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. SEEDS,

THOMAS M. MILLAR,

*Trustees of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter.*



The Committee on Finance made the following report:

#### QUARTERLY REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, December 2, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary from August 23, 1921, to November 17, 1921, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:

#### RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$2,307 30	
“ Certificates .....	4 00	
“ Constitutions .....	1 00	
“ Interest on Deposits .....	120 54	
“ Interest on Investments .....	1,067 13	
“ Sale of Ledger Sheets .....	21 50	
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	\$3,521 47	
To which add Balance August 23, 1921.....	10,516 36	
	<hr/>	\$14,037 83

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

For Charity .....	\$100 00	
“ Clothing and Furniture .....	68 60	
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	1,000 00	
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	120 07	
“ Expenses P. G. H. P.'s and other Grand Officers	95 48	
“ Expenses Instruction in the Work .....	697 64	
“ Donation to the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania	500 00	
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	253 04	
“ Rent .....	3,120 00	
“ Salaries .....	1,325 00	
“ Telephones .....	18 81	
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	\$7,298 64	
To which add Balance November 17, 1921 .....	6,739 19	
	<hr/>	\$14,037 83

Fraternally submitted,

A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,

E. MARSHALL HARVEY,

J. THOMAS MOORE,

*Committee.*

The Committee on Finance made the following Annual Report and Estimate for the year 1922, which was received and the resolution attached was, on motion duly made and seconded, adopted:

#### ANNUAL REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, December 2, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the account and securities held by the Trustees, which show an invested fund of \$83,400, as fully set forth in their Annual Report to Grand Chapter.

The Committee has also examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary for the fiscal year ending November 20, 1921, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:

#### RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$32,509 95	
“ Certificates .....	38 00	
“ Constitutions .....	28 25	
“ Dispensations .....	2 00	
“ Interest on Deposits .....	347 83	
“ Interest on Investments .....	2,621 25	
“ Warrant for Chapter No. 308 .....	200 00	
“ Stationery and Printing (Ledger Sheets) ....	120 50	
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	\$35,867 78	
To which add Balance November 20, 1920 .....	14,970 58	
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		\$50,838 36

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

For Charity .....	\$200 00
“ Clothing and Furniture .....	171 75
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	4,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	3,375 26
“ Expenses Instruction in the Work .....	1,000 00
“ Expenses P. G. H. P.'s and other Grand Officers..	792 20
“ Jewel Past Grand High Priest Davis .....	150 00
“ Investments .....	14,914 26
“ Donation Masonic Home (1920 and 1921) ....	1,000 00
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	1,996 30
“ Rent .....	3,120 00



For Salaries .....	\$4,925 00	
“ Telephones .....	114 04	
“ One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary ....	8,252 86	
“ Organist .....	60 00	
“ Bond of Grand Treasurer .....	12 50	
“ Flowers for Funerals, etc. ....,.....	15 00	
	<u>\$44,099 17</u>	
To which add Balance November 17, 1921.....	6,739 19	
	<u>\$50,838 36</u>	
The Charity and Emergency Relief Fund per last Report showed		
a balance of .....		1,333 78
Add Interest credited to May 21, 1921.....	\$13 33	
Add Interest credited to November 17, 1921....	12 23	
	<u>25 56</u>	
		<u>\$1,359 34</u>
Deduct Loan .....		50 00
		<u>\$1,309 34</u>

## ESTIMATES FOR 1922.

The Committee presents the following estimates for the year ending November 20, 1922.

## RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$30,000 00	
“ Interest on Investments and Deposits .....	3,000 00	
“ Constitutions, etc. ....	50 00	
	<u>\$33,050 00</u>	
“ Balance November 17, 1921 .....	\$6,739 19	
“ Less Salaries due December 8, 1921.....	1,325 00	
	<u>5,414 19</u>	
		<u>\$38,464 19</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

For Charity .....	\$1,000 00
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	4,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	3,500 00
“ Expenses P. G. H. P.'s and other Grand Officers	1,500 00
“ Salaries, Grand Secretary's Office .....	5,000 00
“ Salary, Grand Tyler .....	300 00
“ Rent .....	3,250 00
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	2,500 00
“ Instruction in Work .....	2,000 00

For Clothing and Furniture .....	\$1,000 00	
“ Investments .....	10,000 00	
“ Donation to the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania .....	500 00	
“ Telephones and Incidentals .....	1,000 00	
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	\$35,550 00	
Estimated Balance .....	2,914 19	
	<hr/>	\$38,464 19

The Committee offers the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the above recommendations of the Committee on Finance be approved and that the Most Excellent Grand High Priest be and he is hereby authorized to draw his warrants on the Grand Treasurer for the several amounts named in the foregoing estimates as they become due and payable.

Fraternally submitted,

A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,  
E. MARSHALL HARVEY,  
J. THOMAS MOORE,

*Committee.*

The Committee on By-laws presented the following report, which was received and the resolutions thereto attached unanimously adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, December 8, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-Laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws, the proposed new By-Laws presented to them, and offer the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, that the proposed new By-Laws of Chapters Nos. 163, 197 and 308 be approved.

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Chapters Nos. 197, 202, 208, 219, 234, 236, 256 and 287 be approved.

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapter No. 91 be not approved.

The Committee also offers the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, at the Quarterly Communication of the Grand Chapter, held June 2, 1921, your Committee on By-Laws suggested in its report to the Grand Chapter that Chapter No. 209 be requested to adopt a new set of By-Laws in compliance with the form adopted by the Grand Chapter December 3, 1908, which report was adopted by the Grand Chapter;



AND WHEREAS the said Chapter No. 209 has failed and neglected to comply with the said request.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Samuel C. Perkins Chapter, No. 209, be requested and directed to prepare, adopt and submit for approval by the Committee on By-Laws within twelve months from this date, a new set of By-Laws in accordance with form adopted by the Grand Chapter December 3, 1908, and have the same printed and bound as soon as conveniently may be after they are approved by the Grand Chapter, and furnish each Companion of the Chapter with a copy thereof.

Fraternally submitted,

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WILLIAM R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL.

*Committee.*

The Committee on Printing and Publishing presented the following report:

PHILADELPHIA, December 8, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on Printing and Publishing begs leave to present the following report:

The contract for printing the Proceedings of Grand Chapter for the year 1920 was awarded to the International Printing Company, the lowest bidder.

The work contains a full report of the celebration of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Grand Chapter, celebrated on November 29, 1920, together with a number of steel engravings of Grand Chapter Officers, and of Past Grand High Priests.

The total expenditure for the year for printing, postage and stationery was \$1,996.30, which amount includes the cost of printing, binding and delivering the Proceedings, but does not include the cost of extra work in the Proceedings due to the Anniversary, which was taken care of by a special appropriation.

Fraternally submitted,

LOUIS M. WAGNER,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
FRANK E. TOWNSEND,  
MURRAY GORGAS,  
ROBERT W. VOGT,

*Committee.*

The following Amendment to Article 3, Section 1 of the Constitution, presented at the Quarterly Communication held June 2, 1921, was considered and upon motion was unanimously adopted:

V. Past High Priests of one full year's service in other Jurisdictions who have had the Order of High Priesthood conferred upon them and who have become members of lawfully warranted and duly constituted Chapters under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, who are approved by a majority of the members present at any Quarterly Communication of this Grand Chapter, after having been duly recommended by two members at a previous Quarterly Communication and due notice having been given to all members of Grand Chapter.

This being the time fixed by the Constitution for the election of Grand Officers to serve Grand Chapter for the ensuing Masonic year, beginning on St. John's Day next, the Most Excellent Grand High Priest was pleased to appoint Tellers to conduct the election for Grand Officers.

The Tellers appointed to conduct the election for Grand Officers having reported, the Most Excellent Grand High Priest announced the following named Companions duly elected:

JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King.

GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe.

THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer.

GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM E. KRUPP, Grand High Priest of West Virginia, was introduced by the M. E. Grand High Priest and made a pleasing address.



The following resolution was presented by M. E. Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Past Grand High Priest:

*Resolved*, that a committee be appointed composed of the elective Grand Officers and such other members of Grand Chapter as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest may select, to prepare a revision of the Constitution of Grand Chapter and report the same to Grand Chapter.

It was ordered to lie over until the next Quarterly Communication.

Communications were received from Grand Chapters announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion WILLIAM W. LYMAN, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California. Died February 7, 1921.

M. E. Companion GEORGE S. MOWER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of South Carolina. Died July 25, 1921.

M. E. Companion CHARLES W. SKIFF, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut. Died August 14, 1921.

Excellent Companion RALPH T. MORGAN, Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Idaho. Died September 4, 1921.

M. E. Companion ALBRO E. CHASE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maine. Died September 8, 1921.

M. E. Companion JOSEPH V. BIDGOOD, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Virginia. Died September 11, 1921.

M. E. Companion OLIVER L. MCKAY, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, of Mississippi. Died September 20, 1921.

Excellent Companion JOHN H. LUDWIG, Grand Tyler of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota. Died September 23, 1921.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM STRAFFORD, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota. Died October 11, 1921.

Excellent Companion IRVING TODD, Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota. Died October 13, 1921.

M. E. Companion JAMES M. ALEXANDER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Virginia. Died October 20, 1921.

The following certificate was presented and read:

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 5, 1921.

At a Stated Meeting of Harmony Royal Arch Chapter, No. 52, held December 2, 1921, Companion GEORGE H. DENNY was elected Most Excellent High Priest to serve this Chapter as such for the ensuing Masonic year, commencing December 27, 1921.

ROBERT J. SPRATT,  
*Secretary.*



All the Companions present who had not received the Order of High Priesthood having retired, Companion GEORGE H. DENNY was duly installed as High Priest of Harmony Royal Arch Chapter, No. 52, and had the Order of High Priesthood conferred upon him by Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction, East, at the request of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at five o'clock and ten minutes P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*

# ANNUAL GRAND COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, ST. JOHN'S DAY, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

## PRESENT:

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest</i>
" JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
" GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
" THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
" WARREN T. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Assistant Grand Secretary.</i>
" REV. WILLIAM B. CHALFANT,			<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" REV. GEORGE W. WELLBURN,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" REV. FRANCIS M. TAITT,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" S. E. BURKE KINSLOE,	.	.	<i>Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
" P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	.	.	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
" GEORGE W. SEEDS,	.	as	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
" FRANCIS L. BORIE,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
" ROBERT D. COLE,	.	as	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
" WILLIAM B. KROPP,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
" AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	.	.	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE B. HANNUM,	.	.	<i>Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
" WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR.,	.	.	<i>Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
" CHARLES W. WOOD,	.	.	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, EDMUND W. BOOTS.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions HIBBERT P. JOHN, WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS.

## *Grand Representatives.*

Comp. WILLIAM A. RHOADS,	of Grand Chapter of Alabama.
" WILLIAM McCOMBS,	of Grand Chapter of Arkansas.
" ROBERT E. UMBEL,	of Grand Chapter of British Columbia.
" ANDREW H. HERSHEY,	of Grand Chapter of California.



Comp. SAMUEL SHAW, of Grand Chapter of Canada.

“ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.

“ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.

“ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.

“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.

“ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.

“ CHARLES H. TILTON, of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

“ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Grand Chapter of New Hampshire.

“ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.

“ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.

“ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.

“ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.

“ A. HOWARD THOMAS, of Grand Chapter of South Carolina.

“ HIBBERT P. JOHN, of Grand Chapter of Tennessee.

“ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.

Chapters Nos. 3, 43, 52, 91, 152, 165, 169, 171, 175, 177, 183, 189, 190, 192, 198, 202, 206, 220, 226, 232, 233, 234, 237, 240, 243, 245, 248, 250, 251, 256, 258, 262, 264, 271, 274, 284, 307. (37 Chapters.) (87 members.) (17 visitors.)

The Grand Chapter was honored by the presence of Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers of sister Jurisdictions as follows:

New York, M. E. Companion WILLARD T. CHEVALIER, Grand High Priest; R. E. Companion JOHN F. BIRMINGHAM, Grand Captain of the Host; M. E. Companion CHARLES C. HUNT, Grand Secretary.

Connecticut, M. E. Companion EDGAR B. ELLIS, Grand High Priest; R. E. Companion ARTHUR N. NASH, Deputy Grand High Priest.

New Jersey, M. E. Companion ALBERT LEON, Grand High Priest; R. E. Companion J. S. DAVIDSON, Deputy Grand High Priest; R. E. Companion FRANK T. TILDEN, Grand Scribe; R. E. Companion FRANK C. SAYRS, Grand Captain of the Host; M. E.

Companion PETER MCGILL, Grand Secretary; Past Grand High Priests, Companions NELSON Y. DUNGAN and ABRAM A. REGER.

Delaware, M. E. Companion W. HARRY LEWIS, Grand High Priest; Companion WEST A. TROTTER; M. E. Companion STUART J. HORN, Grand Secertary.

West Virginia, M. E. Companion WILLIAM E. KRUPP, Grand High Priest.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held Thursday, December 8, 1921, were read and approved.

Copy of proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Chapter No. 296 was received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Committee on By-laws presented the following report:

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1921.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-Laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapter No. 296 and offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of Chapter No. 296 be approved.

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WILLIAM R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL.

*Committee.*



The M. E. Grand Secretary reported that General Returns had been received from fifty-two Chapters and one Mark Lodge.

The M. E. Grand High Priest announced the following Committee on Revision of the Constitution pursuant to the resolution offered at the Quarterly Communication held December 8, 1921.

Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY,  
“ JOHN M. CORE,  
“ GEORGE P. DARROW,  
“ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,  
“ GEORGE B. WELLS,  
“ DAVID J. DAVIS,  
“ ROBERT E. UMBEL.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest presented the following Annual Address reviewing the activities of the year and showing that an enormous amount of work had been done by the Grand High Priest and his associate Grand Officers.

*Companions of Grand Chapter:*

It seems but a very short time since you intrusted to my care the sceptre of authority in this Grand Chapter, yet another year has passed into history. Following a long-established custom it is my duty to give to you an account of my stewardship.

We are jealous of the standing of our Grand Chapter for it has always stood for that which is good and true and noble in all the land; during the year we have endeavored to bring to our Companions the message of individual responsibility. While we have made

rapid gains in our membership and at present have one hundred and fifty Chapters with more than fifty thousand on our rolls, we must not forget that the reputation of our Institution depends not upon the number of our members, but upon the life and character of each individual Companion.

A review of the work accomplished as contained in the following brief report affords me much pleasure in the preparation and may, I trust, be acceptable to you.

Our relations with our sister Jurisdictions continue to be of the most friendly and cordial character and throughout our own Jurisdiction peace, harmony and the usual prosperity prevails.

#### OBITUARIES.

While we rejoice in our prosperity the angel of death has summoned many of our Companions to their Eternal Home, one of whom was a member of our official family.

Companion WILLIAM R. MURPHEY, who was appointed a member of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, December 27, 1916, was a man of strong character, faithful to every trust and loved by every one whose privilege it was to know him. He entered into rest December 5, 1921.

“Life is a narrow vale between the cold and barren peaks of two eternities. We strive in vain to look beyond the heights—we cry aloud and the only answer is the echo of our own wailing cry. From the voiceless lips of the unreplying dead there comes no word, but in the night of death hope sees a star and listening love can hear the rustle of the wing.”



### WAIVER OF JURISDICTION.

Have granted all Waivers of Jurisdictions asked for as follows:

New Jersey, 27; New York, 16; Delaware, 3; Maryland, 1, and Massachusetts, 1.

Waivers of Jurisdiction were requested and received as follows:

New Jersey, 3; New York, 1; Maryland, 1.

### IRREGULARITIES.

The General Returns from Chapters for 1920 show a number of violations of the Constitution, Rules, Regulations and Edicts. The Grand High Priest to whom such matters are referred is then asked to heal the irregularities. I am inclined to believe that these violations are not intentional, but are the result of ignorance of the law or carelessness. My predecessors have, in several instances, caused the names of the candidates to be stricken from the Roll. Such action seems to be a penalty inflicted on the wrong party, as the candidates are not supposed to know the law. The responsibility rests solely with the Officers. The Most Excellent High Priest is required to see that all his Officers are capable and faithful in the fulfillment of their duties, to watch carefully the progress of their performances, and to see that the long-established customs of the Institution suffer no derangement in their hands.

In the future the present Grand High Priest will be slow to exercise his prerogative in healing these irregularities.

#### DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

February 4, 1921, to Lafayette Royal Arch Chapter, No. 163, at Lock Haven, to elect a Scribe, caused by refusal of the Scribe to be installed.

March 12, 1921, to Factoryville Royal Arch Chapter, No. 205, at Factoryville to elect a Treasurer, caused by the death of the Treasurer.

#### DISPENSATIONS REFUSED.

A number of applications were received for dispensations to confer degrees out of time and to ballot for candidates after the expiration of the time required by the Constitution, all of which were refused.

#### QUARTERLY COMMUNICATIONS.

March 3, 1921. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was exemplified by the Instructors of the Capitular Schools of Instruction, Companion FREDERICK P. GLASSER acting Worshipful Master.

June 2, 1921. The Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason was exemplified by the Instructors of the Capitular Schools of Instruction. Companion HENRY S. HAZLETT acting Most Excellent Master.



September 8, 1921. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was exemplified by the Instructors of the Capitular Schools of Instruction. Companion JOHN W. BRANDON acting Most Excellent High Priest.

#### DISTRICT MEETINGS.

Following my installation, in addressing Grand Chapter, I suggested that during the year a joint meeting be held in each District under the direction of the District Deputy Grand High Priest for instruction in the work.

These meetings were held: Districts 16, 17 and 18 of Pittsburgh comprising twenty-one Chapters, held a joint meeting at Masonic Temple, Pittsburgh; Districts A, B and C of Philadelphia, comprising eighteen Chapters and two Mark Lodges, held a joint meeting at Frankford. Districts 5, 7, 8, 9 and 14 held two meetings each and all other Districts one.

At all the meetings the degrees of Mark Master Mason, Most Excellent Master Mason and Royal Arch Mason were rehearsed in full by the Officers of the Chapters in their respective Districts under the supervision of the District Deputy Grand High Priest, assisted by an Instructor from the Capitular School.

There were twenty-six such meetings at which we had the privilege of observing the work of seventy-eight different Chapters and we are pleased to report to Grand Chapter that the work was on a very high

plane, in every detail following closely the authorized work as taught in our Capitular Schools.

We deeply appreciate the interest shown and the sacrifices made by many of the Officers in preparing for and attending these meetings; in many parts of our Jurisdiction it was necessary for the Companions to drive forty and fifty miles over unimproved roads and in a number of instances the attendance of Officers was 100 per cent. Truly the Spirit of Freemasonry dwells in their hearts; they have the highest conception of their duty as Royal Arch Masons. All honor and praise to them.

We lay particular stress upon the uniformity of our work. A number of my distinguished predecessors have labored zealously to bring it to its present state of perfection and we shall endeavor to see that this condition is maintained.

While this is important and should receive our closest attention, we are convinced that too little time has been given to the teaching of the real underlying principles of our Fraternity, its reconstructive force, its power and influence in the upbuilding of mankind and its responsibility and loyalty to our country.

Following this thought, a Companion was assigned to speak at each meeting; judging from the marked attention given and from the many congratulatory remarks, we are convinced that these addresses made a deep impression on the hearts and minds of all pres-



ent and will be an inspiration and guide to the officers and Companions of our subordinate Chapters.

A number of Grand Officers were present at each meeting.

I am greatly indebted to the Grand Officers, the District Deputy Grand High Priests, the Companions who made the addresses and the principals and instructors of the Capitular Schools for their devoted and faithful service. These Companions have given generously of their time, making many sacrifices in order that they might contribute their full share in dispensing Masonic light and knowledge.

In addition to the twenty-six visits made to the District meetings we have made twenty-nine visits to individual Chapters and witnessed the conferring of one or more degrees. In every instance we were received with the utmost courtesy by the officers and members; we are more than pleased with our reception, the kindness and hospitality shown us everywhere was most gratifying and we are unable to find words that would fittingly express our sincere appreciation.

The Companions have done wonders. May I remind them that the summit has not yet been reached; there is much more work for us to do; let me urge upon every Royal Arch Mason in our Jurisdiction not to be satisfied with the accomplishments during the year, but to make a resolution for the new year

that we are going to put a little more effort, a little more of ourselves, a little more of our personality into our work so that we may come nearer to the summit and perfection of Royal Arch Masonry.

A summary of the work during the year shows:

Total number of visits by Grand Officers, 55.

Total number of Chapters working in our presence, 105.

Total number of degrees conferred or rehearsed, 107.

Attached is a detailed report of visits of Grand Officers.

#### DISTRICT MEETINGS.

April 8, 1921. District No. 21, held at Erie, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King, DAVID J. DAVIS, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest, and PETER BARKEY, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The three degrees were rehearsed by Temple R. A. Chapter, No. 215, with the assistance of FREDERICK P. GLASSER, Instructor of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion DAVID J. DAVIS, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest, at the evening session.

April 22, 1921. District No. 2, held at Media, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Ex-



cellent Grand Scribe; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain; S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, Grand Captain of the Host, and WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR., Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Coatesville R. A. Chapter, No. 267; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Howell R. A. Chapter, No. 202; the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Chester R. A. Chapter, No. 258, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

April 29, 1921, District No. 20, held at New Castle, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; HUGH M. MARQUIS, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and ROBERT C. BOWLING, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Harmony R. A. Chapter, No. 206; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Norman R. A. Chapter, No. 244, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Eureka R. A. Chapter, No. 167, with the assistance of Companions CALLAHAN and McCLURE, Instructors of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion ROBERT C. BOWLING, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

May 6, 1921, District No. 4, held at Gettysburg, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; JOHN H. BENNETT, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Howell R. A. Chapter, No. 199, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Good Samaritan R. A. Chapter, No. 266, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Yorktown R. A. Chapter, No. 304, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

May 13, 1921. District No. 9, held at Milton, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; WILLIAM F. SHAY, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Warrior Run R. A. Chapter, No. 246, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Northumberland R. A. Chapter, No. 174, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Milton R. A. Chapter, No. 298, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

May 17, 1921. District No. 15, held at Butler, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most



Excellent Grand King; WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; PORTER W. LOWRY, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; GEORGE F. RODGERS, District Deputy Grand High Priest; THOMAS N. MCKEE, District Deputy Grand High Priest; WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, Grand Chaplain; MCWILLIAM R. CRAIG, Grand Chaplain, and RALPH C. MINEHART, Grand Master of the Second Vail. The three degrees were rehearsed; the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Orient R. A. Chapter, No. 247, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Jefferson R. A. Chapter, No. 225, the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Butler R. A. Chapter No. 273, with the assistance of JAMES C. WEIR, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

May 18, 1921. District No. 11, held at Johnstown, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; ROY C. STORMER, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDMUND W. BOOTS, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Portage R. A. Chapter, No. 195, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Standing Stone R. A. Chapter, No. 201, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Mountain R. A. Chapter, No. 189. An address was delivered by Companion WIL-

LIAM B. CHALFANT, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

May 20, 1921. District No. 19, held at Uniontown, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; EDMUND W. BOOTS, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Brownsville R. A. Chapter, No. 164, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason, by Urania R. A. Chapter, No. 192, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Connellsville R. A. Chapter, No. 283. An address was delivered by Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., at the evening session.

August 30, 1921. District No. 13, held at Ridgway, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; JOHN B. MANN, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Emporium R. A. Chapter, No. 227, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Kane R. A. Chapter, No. 279, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Elk R. A. Chapter, No. 230, with the assistance of ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.



August 31, 1921. District No. 14, held at Coudersport, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; WALTON K. SWETLAND, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Ulysses R. A. Chapter, No. 269, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Westfield R. A. Chapter, No. 265, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Coudersport R. A. Chapter, No. 263, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

September 1, 1921. District No. 14, held at Wellsboro, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; WALTON K. SWETLAND, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Zebulun R. A. Chapter, No. 296, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Arnold R. A. Chapter, No. 254, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Tyoga R. A. Chapter, No. 194, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered

by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

September 2, 1921. District No. 12, held at Lock Haven, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; JAMES H. REEDER, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Lycoming R. A. Chapter, No. 222, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason, by Lafayette R. A. Chapter, No. 163, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Bellefonte R. A. Chapter, No. 241, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

September 9, 1921. District No. 3, held at Lancaster, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; MILTON G. GINGRICH, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Reading R. A. Chapter, No. 152, and Excelsior R. A. Chapter, No. 237, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason, by Weidle R. A. Chapter, No. 197, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason, by Chap-



ter No. 43, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

September 27, 1921. Districts Nos. 16, 17 and 18, held at Pittsburgh, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and District Deputy Grand High Priests CHARLES B. RUCH, EDMUND W. BOOTS, GEORGE F. RODGERS, HUGH M. MARQUIS and CHARLES E. COOPER. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Cyrus R. A. Chapter, No. 280, of the Seventeenth District, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Homestead R. A. Chapter, No. 306, of the Eighteenth District, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Shiloh R. A. Chapter, No. 257, of the Sixteenth District, with the assistance of Companions JAMES C. WEIR and ROBERT D. COLE, Principals, and FREDERICK P. GLASSER and EARL B. CALIHAN, Instructors of the Capitular Schools of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, at the evening session.

October 5, 1921. District No. 5, held at Easton, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most

Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; CHARLES R. ROBERTS, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Zinzendorf R. A. Chapter, No. 216, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Easton R. A. Chapter, No. 173, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Bangor R. A. Chapter, No. 274, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Grand Treasurer, at the evening session.

October 6, 1921. District No. 6, held at Carbon-dale, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; DAVID J. DAVIS, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; CHARLES H. TILTON, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain; FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain; GEORGE W. WELLBURN, Grand Chaplain, and P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER, Grand Principal Sojourner. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Susquehanna R. A. Chapter, No. 276, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Great Bend R. A. Chapter, No. 210, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Warren R. A. Chapter, No. 180, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal



of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

October 7, 1921. District No. 7, held at Towanda, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; CHARLES H. WEAVER, District Deputy Grand High Priest; JAMES H. REEDER, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Troy R. A. Chapter, No. 261, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Temple R. A. Chapter, No. 172, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Union R. A. Chapter, No. 161, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

October 8, 1921. District No. 7, held at Hazleton, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; CHARLES H. WEAVER, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and GEORGE W. WELLBURN, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Valley R. A. Chapter, No. 214, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Shekinah R. A. Chapter, No. 182, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Hazleton R. A. Chapter, No. 277, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Ca-

pitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion GEORGE W. WELLBURN, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

October 11, 1921. District No. 8, held at Shamokin, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; FRANK C. YINGST, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Shamokin R. A. Chapter, No. 264, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Mizpah R. A. Chapter, No. 252, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Griscom R. A. Chapter, No. 219, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

October 15, 1921. District A, B and C, held at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; District Deputy Grand High Priests PAUL J. PONTIUS, ROBERT G. SMITH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM and FRANK C. YINGST, WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain; S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, Grand Captain of the Host; WILLIAM B. KROPP, Grand Master of the First Vail; AUGUST P. KUNZIG, Grand Marshal; GEORGE



B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies; WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR., Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Temple R. A. Chapter, No. 248, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Signet R. A. Chapter, No. 251, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Kensington R. A. Chapter, No. 233, with the assistance of Companions ROBERT D. COLE, Principal, and IRVIN BRANDEIS, JOHN FETCH, BENJAMIN BISWANGER and CLARENCE R. BROOKS, Instructors of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, at the evening session.

October 19, 1921. District No. 1, held at Norristown, accompanied by Companions GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; J. HOWARD BARNES, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Lansdale R. A. Chapter, No. 301, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Fort Washington R. A. Chapter, No. 220, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Pottstown R. A. Chapter, No. 271, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

October 24, 1921. District No. 8, held at Pottsville, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; FRANK C. YINGST, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, and GEORGE B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Mountain City R. A. Chapter, No. 196, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Tamaqua R. A. Chapter, No. 177, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Lilly R. A. Chapter, No. 181, with the assistance of Companion GEORGE B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies, acting Instructor. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

October 25, 1921. District No. 9, held at Danville, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; WILLIAM F. SHAY, District Deputy Grand High Priest; CHARLES H. WEAVER, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain; GEORGE B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Bloomsburg R. A. Chapter, No. 218, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Catawissa R. A. Chapter, No. 178, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Danville R. A. Chapter, No. 239, with the assistance of Companion GEORGE B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies, acting Instruc-



tor. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, at the evening session.

October 27, 1921. District No. 22, held at Oil City, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; CHARLES E. COOPER, District Deputy Grand High Priest; WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain; GEORGE B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Aaron R. A. Chapter, No. 207, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Venango R. A. Chapter, No. 211, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Occidental R. A. Chapter, No. 235, with the assistance of Companion GEORGE B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies, acting Instructor. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain, at the evening session. The officers of Clarion R. A. Chapter, No. 259, of District No. 15, were also present.

November 10, 1921. District No. 10, held at Carlisle, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; ARTHUR W. GILLAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by George Washington R. A. Chapter, No. 176, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by

St. John's R. A. Chapter, No. 171, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Perseverance R. A. Chapter, No. 21, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. An address was delivered by Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, at the evening session.

November 16, 1921. District No. 5, held at Allentown, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; CHARLES R. ROBERTS, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and Grand Chaplains EDWARD W. RUSHTON and CLARENCE H. WOOLSTON. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Jordan R. A. Chapter, No. 302, the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Catasauqua R. A. Chapter, No. 278, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Siegfried R. A. Chapter, No. 295, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction. Addresses were delivered by Companions EDWARD W. RUSHTON and CLARENCE H. WOOLSTON, Grand Chaplains, at the evening session.

#### INFORMAL VISITATIONS.

January 24, 1921, to Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media, accompanied by Companions A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest and WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High



Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

February 8, 1921, to Chester R. A. Chapter, No. 258, at Chester, accompanied by Companions WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM E. MINGIN, Past High Priest of Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234. The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

February 14, 1921, to Howell R. A. Chapter, No. 202, at West Chester, accompanied by Companions WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest; CHARLES SIMONS, Most Excellent High Priest of Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, and WILLIAM D. PULLEN, Most Excellent High Priest of Chester R. A. Chapter, No. 258. The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

February 17, 1921, to Schuylkill R. A. Chapter, No. 159, at Minersville, accompanied by Companions JAMES E. MORRIS, District Deputy Grand High Priest; FRANK C. YINGST, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM S. PUGH, Past High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

February 28, 1921, to Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media. The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

March 28, 1921, to Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was conferred.

April 12, 1921, to Chester R. A. Chapter, No. 258, at Chester, accompanied by Companions A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest; FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain, and WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR., Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies, and conferred the Degree of Mark Master Mason on account of the illness of the Scribe of Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, who was to have done the work. This was the occasion of the Annual Visit of Chapter No. 234 to Chapter No. 258.

May 16, 1921, to Coraopolis R. A. Chapter, No. 300, at Coraopolis, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. Core, Most Excellent Grand King; District Deputy Grand High Priests CHARLES B. RUCH and EDMUND W. BOOTS and RALPH C. MINEHART, Grand Master of the Second Vail. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was conferred.

May 19, 1921, to Urania R. A. Chapter, No. 192, at Greensburg, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary. Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Companion JOHN S. SELL also honored the Chapter with his presence. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred on a large class.



May 23, 1921, to Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media, accompanied by Companion A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest. The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

June 3, 1921, to Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; DAVID J. DAVIS, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest; Grand Chaplains EDWARD W. RUSHTON and FRANCIS M. TAITT and ROBERT A. WALKER, Grand Royal Arch Captain, on the occasion of their fiftieth anniversary.

June 27, 1921, to Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media, accompanied by Companion A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was conferred.

September 15, 1921, to Oriental R. A. Chapter, No. 183, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and ROBERT G. SMITH, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

September 26, 1921, to Keystone R. A. Chapter, No. 175, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and PAUL J. PONTIUS, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

September 30, 1921, to Apollo R. A. Chapter, No. 307, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and PAUL J. PONTIUS, District Deputy Grand High Priest, on the occasion of their first anniversary.

October 26, 1921, to Clearfield R. A. Chapter, No. 228, at Clearfield, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. HANNUM, Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was conferred by Companion BRUCE PORTER, Past High Priest.

October 28, 1921, to Orient R. A. Chapter, No. 247, at Kittanning, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; THOMAS N. MCKEE, District Deputy Grand High Priest and GEORGE B. HANNUM, Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies. All three degrees were conferred.



November 1, 1921, to St. John R. A. Chapter, No. 232, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

November 1, 1921, to T. B. Freeman R. A. Chapter, No. 243, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companion GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary. The Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason was conferred.

November 9, 1921, to Excelsior R. A. Chapter, No. 237, at Reading, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, on the occasion of their fiftieth anniversary. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

November 15, 1921, to University R. A. Chapter, No. 256, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and ROBERT G. SMITH, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

November 21, 1921, to Jerusalem R. A. Chapter, No. 3, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions

THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, and ROBERT G. SMITH, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

November 25, 1921, to Signet R. A. Chapter, No. 251, at Philadelphia. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

December 2, 1921, to Harmony R. A. Chapter, No. 52, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and PAUL J. PONTIUS, District Deputy Grand High Priest.

December 2, 1921, to Apollo R. A. Chapter, No. 307, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and PAUL J. PONTIUS, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred. I conferred the Order of High Priesthood on the High Priest-elect, Companion WARREN T. WALKER.

December 13, 1921, to Chester R. A. Chapter, No. 258, at Chester, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy



Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, and S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, Grand Captain of the Host. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

December 15, 1921, to Coatesville R. A. Chapter, No. 267, at Coatesville, accompanied by Companions WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Acting Grand Chaplain; WILLIAM E. MINGIN, Past High Priest; PAUL McKNIGHT, Chaplain, and J. RAYMOND HENDERSON, of Chapter No. 234. I conferred the Order of High Priesthood on the High Priest-elect, Companion J. CALVIN LACHMAN, and installed all the officers. Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS delivered address.

December 19, 1921, to Lansdale R. A. Chapter, No. 301, at Lansdale, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, and J. HOWARD S. BARNES, District Deputy Grand High Priest. An address was delivered by Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer. Installed the officers.

December 26, 1921, to Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain. Installed the officers.

### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.

In addition to the above the reports received from the District Deputy Grand High Priests show that they have made 268 visits to the various Chapters. A number of Deputies have made twenty or more visits in their respective Districts. This zeal and devotion to duty upon their part has been a wonderful assistance to their Chapters; should this good work continue, special attention being given to the Chapters that are inclined to be dormant, the time is not far distant when we can say that we do not have any so-called weak Chapters in our Jurisdiction.

May I urge upon the District Deputy Grand High Priest the importance of making a careful inspection of the minutes of each Chapter, sending a report thereon in writing to this office? I would suggest you ask the Secretaries to send their minute books to you; in this way you would be able to give them closer supervision than would be possible at the time of your visit to the Chapter.

I would also suggest to them that they pay particular attention to the furniture and clothing. In a number of instances during the year I found furniture and clothing not what it should be, and in nearly every case I am convinced that the Chapters are financially able to see that it more nearly conforms to the requirements of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter.



The following is an extract from a decision in the address of M. E. Grand High Priest WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, on December 27, 1907:

“In the establishment of a subordinate Chapter one of the purposes is that those who apply for the Capitular Degrees and are approved may be taught the Royal Art of Capitular Masonry. How can it be taught if those in authority do not themselves know the work which is to be taught? It seems to me that the moment those who have the warrant cease to be able to do the work, govern the body and confer the degrees, the Warrant should become inoperative and revert to the Grand Chapter; hence a Companion who cannot do the work of the Chapter cannot be installed as Most Excellent High Priest. Opening and closing are part of the work of the Most Excellent High Priest.”

The attention of the District Deputy Grand High Priests is called to the above decision. Hereafter you will be required to certify to the Most Excellent Grand High Priest that the Kings of all Chapters in your respective Districts are fully qualified to confer the Degree of Royal Arch Mason and to open and close the Chapter, before they shall be installed Most Excellent High Priest.

#### MARKS.

I regret that it is necessary for me to remind you of the importance of having Marks properly recorded. Upon examination of a number of Books of Marks I find several instances in which the Marks are kept in an envelope for some time after the Brethren have been exalted to the Degree of Royal Arch Mason; in some cases where there is no evidence of a Mark having been adopted or recorded.

This matter requires no decision upon my part. Our law is ample and is clearly set out in numerous

decisions by former Grand High Priests. Let me emphasize what they say on the subject: "No Brother shall be exalted to the Degree of Royal Arch Mason until his Mark has been adopted and recorded in the Book of Marks." This is our law and must be enforced. I trust the Most Excellent High Priests and Secretaries will take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

### NATIONAL FLAG.

On April 9, 1917, M. E. Past Grand High Priest Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., then Grand High Priest, issued the following Edict:

"Hereafter, until further orders, at the opening of each stated, special or extra meeting of your Chapter, after prayer by the Chaplain, you will have played or sung, as most convenient, one or more stanzas of the 'Star-Spangled Banner,' the Companions all standing with heads uncovered."

At the June Communication, 1917, the Grand High Priest accepted on behalf of Grand Chapter two silk flags of our country. They have since been displayed at all Communications of Grand Chapter and of subordinate Chapters meeting in Grand Chapter Hall. This action on his part conveyed to the officers of all subordinate Chapters his desire that our National Flag should be displayed in all their Chapter Halls at each and every meeting.

On December 27, 1918, in his Annual Address, M. E. Past Grand High Priest Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., said: "I recommend that the necessary steps be taken to make the flag of our country a necessary part of the furniture of each Chapter, to be



displayed in every Chapter Hall at all Communications and meetings, and to require that no Chapter can be hereafter constituted without provision being made therefor." The attention of the officers of each and every Chapter is called to the fact that this Edict and the actions above recited have never been reversed and are in full force.

#### WARRANTS FOR NEW CHAPTERS.

An application was received in due form at the Quarterly Communication held June 2, 1921, to grant a warrant for a new Chapter, to be located in Philadelphia, to be known as Ivanhoe Royal Arch Chapter, No. 308, when on motion duly made and carried, the matter was referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

After due deliberation this application was acted upon favorably, the Grand Officers being unanimous in their decision to grant the prayer of the petitioners.

An application was received in due form at the Quarterly Communication held June 2, 1921, to grant a warrant for a new Chapter, to be located at Latrobe, when on motion duly made and carried, the matter was referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

#### NEW CHAPTERS.

On September 15, 1921, in the afternoon, assisted by the Grand Officers and Visiting Companions, I

constituted Ivanhoe Royal Arch Chapter, No. 308, at Philadelphia, Pa.

The stations and places were filled as follows:

JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King.

GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe.

THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer.

GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary.

WARREN T. WALKER, Assistant Grand Secretary.

WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, Grand Chaplain.

EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, Grand Captain of the Host.

P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER, Grand Principal Sojourner.

ROBERT D. COLE, as Grand Royal Arch Captain.

FRANCIS L. BORIE, Grand Master of the Third Vail.

WILLIAM McCOMBS, as Grand Master of the Second Vail.



WILLIAM B. KROPP, Grand Master of the First Vail.

AUGUST P. KUNZIG, Grand Marshal.

GEORGE B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.

WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR., Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.

CHARLES S. WOOD, Grand Pursuivant.

WILLIAM B. JOSLYN, Grand Tyler.

This Chapter, with a Warrant membership of thirty-one members, gives every evidence of becoming a strong member of the Capitular family of Pennsylvania.

#### APPOINTMENTS.

Companion FRANK C. YINGST, as District Deputy Grand High Priest of District No. 8 to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Companion JAMES E. MORRIS.

#### GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

J. R. DONNELL, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of Arkansas.

FRANK C. BIRD, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of British Columbia.

ROBERT J. GIBSON, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of Canada.

WILLIAM M. TATEMAN, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of Ohio.

JOHN ADCOCK, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of Victoria.

#### INVITATIONS.

February 1st, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, and AUGUST P. KUNZIG, Grand Marshal, I attended the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of New York, held at Albany. We were most courteously and fraternally received.

It was with sincere regret that pressure of business and Masonic engagements prevented my accepting cordial invitations to attend the Annual Convocations of the Grand Chapters of Rhode Island, New Jersey, Connecticut and Delaware.

November 12th, accompanied by Companion JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King, I attended a special meeting of Phoenix Royal Arch Chapter, No. 2, at New York City, on the occasion of the official visit and home-coming of M. E. WILLARD T. CHEVALIER, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of New York.

This was a most delightful occasion. In attendance were several hundred Royal Arch Masons, the Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of New York, and six



Grand High Priests, accompanied by an associate officer from sister Jurisdictions, to testify by their presence to the love and esteem they have for the distinguished Companion who has the honor to preside over the Grand Chapter of the Great Empire State.

We shall always hold in grateful remembrance the many courtesies and kindnesses shown us on this occasion.

### CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I want to publicly express to all the Grand Officers, the officers and members of our subordinate Chapters my gratitude and deep appreciation of the devoted service you have rendered during the year; whatever good may have been accomplished is the result of your efforts.

As we stand upon the threshold of the new year may we remember only that which was good and true and kind and permit the mantle of love to cover all our shortcomings.

So much of the minutes of the Quarterly Communication held December 8, 1921, as refers to the election of Grand Officers was read.

All of the Companions present who had not received the Order of High Priesthood having retired, Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY was installed *Most Excellent Grand High Priest of The Grand Holy*

*Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging*, was duly proclaimed as such, and received the salutations of the Craft.

The Companions who had retired were readmitted, when the following Grand Officers were severally installed, and were duly proclaimed, and received the salutations of the Craft:

Companion JOHN M. CORE, *Most Excellent Grand King*.

Companion GEORGE P. DARROW, *Most Excellent Grand Scribe*.

Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., P. G. H. P., *Most Excellent Grand Treasurer*.

Companion GEORGE B. WELLS, P. G. H. P., *Most Excellent Grand Secretary*.

The M. E. Grand High Priest, Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY, directed the Most Excellent Grand Secretary to announce the following appointments:

#### APPOINTMENTS.

##### *District Deputy Grand High Priests.*

A. Companion ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, of Philadelphia, for Chapters Nos. 52, 175, 226, 243, 248, 284, 307 and Girard Mark Lodge, No. 214, in Philadelphia.



B. Companion ROBERT G. SMITH, of Philadelphia, for Chapters Nos. 3, 169, 183, 240, 251 and 256, in Philadelphia.

C. Companion SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, of Philadelphia, for Chapters Nos. 91, 208, 232, 233, 250, 308 and Excelsior Mark Lodge, No. 216, in Philadelphia.

1. Companion J. HOWARD S. BARNES, of Norristown, for the Counties of Bucks and Montgomery (except Chapter No. 262), and Chapter No. 198, of Chester County.

2. Companion WESLEY R. MORGAN, of Chester, for the Counties of Chester (except Chapter No. 198) and Delaware, and Chapter No. 262, of Montgomery County.

3. Companion MILTON E. GINGRICH, of Lancaster, for the Counties of Berks, Lancaster (except Chapter No. 224) and Lebanon.

4. Companion JOHN H. BENNETT, of York, for the Counties of Adams and York, and Chapter No. 224, of Lancaster County.

5. Companion CHARLES R. ROBERTS, of Allentown, for the Counties of Lehigh, Monroe, Northampton and Pike.

6. Companion CHARLES H. TILTON, of Scranton, for the Counties of Lackawanna, Susquehanna and Wayne, and Chapter No. 205, of Wyoming County.

7. Companion CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Wilkes-Barre, for the Counties of Luzerne and Sullivan, and Chapters No. 161, of Bradford County, and No. 172, of Wyoming County.

8. Companion FRANK C. YINGST, of Port Carbon, for the Counties of Carbon and Schuylkill, and Chapter No. 264, at Shamokin.

9. Companion WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Watsontown, for the Counties of Columbia, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder and Union (except Chapter 264).

10. Companion ARTHUR W. GILLAN, of Chambersburg, for the Counties of Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Juniata and Perry.

11. Companion ROY C. STORMER, of Johnstown, for the Counties of Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Fulton, Huntingdon and Mifflin.

12. Companion JAMES H. REEDER, of Williamsport, for the Counties of Centre, Clinton and Lycoming, and Chapter No. 261, of Bradford County.

13. Companion JOHN B. MANN, of Ridgway, for the Counties of Clearfield, Elk and McKean (except Chapter No. 254), and Chapter No. 227, of Cameron County.

14. Companion WALTON K. SWETLAND, of Coudersport, for the Counties of Potter and Tioga, and Chapter No. 254, of McKean County.



15. Companion THOMAS N. MCKEE, of Kittanning, for the Counties of Armstrong, Butler, Clarion, Indiana and Jefferson.

16. Companion GEORGE W. RODGERS, of Pittsburgh, for Chapters Nos. 162, 193, 257, 268, 285, 297, 299, and 305, of Allegheny County.

17. Companion CHARLES B. RUCH, of Washington, for Chapters Nos. 217, 280, 286, 288 and 300, of Allegheny County, and Nos. 150 and 294, of Washington County.

18. Companion EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Pittsburgh, for Chapters Nos. 282, 289 and 303, of Allegheny County; No. 249, of Washington County, and No. 290, of Westmoreland County.

19. Companion JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, of Connells-ville, for the Counties of Fayette, Greene, Somerset and Westmoreland (except Chapter No. 290).

20. Companion HUGH M. MARQUIS, of New Castle, for the Counties of Beaver, Lawrence and Mercer.

21. Companion PETER BARKEY, of Erie, for the Counties of Crawford and Erie (except Chapter No. 207, of Crawford County).

22. Companion CHARLES E. COOPER, of Oil City, for the Counties of Forest, Venango and Warren, and Chapter No. 207, of Crawford County.

*Trustees.*

M. E. Comp. DAVID J. DAVIS, P. G. H. P.

Comp. GEORGE W. SEEDS.

“ THOMAS A. MILLAR.

*Grand Chaplains.*

Comp. REV. WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, D. D., of Philadelphia.

“ REV. JOHN G. WILSON, D. D., of Philadelphia.

“ REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON, OF WAYNE.

“ REV. GEORGE W. WELLBURN, D. D., of Scranton.

“ REV. FRANCIS M. TAITT, of Chester.

“ REV. WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, of Media.

*Grand Captain of the Host.*

Comp. S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Chapter No. 240.

*Grand Principal Sojourner.*

Comp. P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER, of Chapter No. 185.

*Grand Royal Arch Captain.*

Comp. ROBERT A. WALKER, of Chapter No. 223.

*Grand Master of Third Vail.*

Comp. FRANCIS L. BORIE, of Chapter No. 256.

*Grand Master of Second Vail.*

Comp. RALPH C. MINEHART, of Chapter No. 286.



*Grand Master of First Vail.*

Comp. WILLIAM B. KROPP, of Chapter No. 52.

*Grand Marshal.*

Comp. AUGUST P. KUNZIG, of Chapter No. 243.

*Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.*

Comp. GEORGE B. HANNUM, of Chapter No. 284.

*Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.*

Comp. WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR., of Chapter No. 262.

*Grand Pursuivant.*

Comp. CHARLES S. WOOD, of Chapter No. 3.

*Grand Tyler.*

Comp. WILLIAM B. JOSLYN, of Chapter No. 175.

*Committee on Jurisprudence.*

M. E. Comp. HIBBERT P. JOHN, P. G. H. P.

“ “ EDGER A. TENNIS, P. G. H. P.

“ “ MICHAEL W. JACOBS, P. G. H. P.

“ “ H. OSCAR KLINE, P. G. H. P.

“ “ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, P. G. H. P.

“ “ CARL A. SUNDSTROM, P. G. H. P.

“ “ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, P. G. H. P.

“ “ GEORGE B. WELLS, P. G. H. P.

“ “ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., P. G. H. P.

“ “ DAVID J. DAVIS, P. G. H. P.

In conjunction with the Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

*Committee on Appeals.*

M. E. Comp. H. OSCAR KLINE, P. G. H. P.

Comp. REUBEN A. ZIMMERMAN.

“ JOHN C. TAYLOR.

“ WILLIAM A. RHOADS.

“ HENRY G. BRUNER.

*Committee on Finance.*

M. E. Comp. A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, P. G. H. P.

Comp. WILLIAM M. DONALDSON.

“ E. MARSHALL HARVEY.

“ MCCLUNEY RADCLIFFE.

“ J. THOMAS MOORE.

*Committee on By-Laws.*

M. E. Comp. CARL A. SUNDSTROM, P. G. H. P.

Comp. A. HOWARD THOMAS.

“ FENTON H. MIDDLETON.

“ WILLIAM R. SUTCH.

“ ROBERT E. UMBEL.

*Committee on Correspondence.*

M. E. Comp. WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, P. G. H. P.

“ “ JOHN M. CORE.

Comp. H. FRANKLIN BROSSMAN.

“ EDWARD W. RUSHTON.

“ GEORGE H. BANES.



*Committee on Charity.*

M. E. Comp. EDGAR A. TENNIS, P. G. H. P.

Comp. JOHN E. POORE.

“ GEORGE F. GARSIDE.

“ ALBERT W. NICHOLSON.

“ CHARLES T. GILDEN.

*Committee on Printing and Publishing.*

Comp. LOUIS M. WAGNER.

“ JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON.

“ FRANK E. TOWNSEND.

“ MURRAY GORGAS.

“ ROBERT W. VOGT.

*Capitular Schools of Instruction.*

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA.

*Instructors.*

Comp. ROBERT D. COLE, *Principal.*

“ JOHN FETCH.

“ HENRY S. HAZLETT.

“ BENJAMIN BISWANGER.

“ IRVIN BRANDEIS.

“ CLARENCE R. BROOKS.

MASONIC TEMPLE, PITTSBURGH.

*Instructors.*

Comp. JAMES S. WEIR, *Principal.*

“ FREDERICK R. GLASSER.

“ JOHN W. BRANDON.

## MASONIC TEMPLE, SCRANTON.

*Instructors.*

Comp. RUFUS T. STROHM, *Principal.*

“ ALEXANDER P. CLARK.

“ JACOB A. FRANTZ.

“ DAN. E. CARPENTER.

“ FREDERICK G. FARNHAM.

“ CHARLES E. CLARKE.

“ FRANK E. HAUENSTEIN.

The Most Excellent Grand Secretary announced the re-appointment of Companion WARREN T. WALKER as Assistant Grand Secretary and asked Grand Chapter to confirm the same. Upon motion duly made the appointment was unanimously confirmed.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest paid a most gracious compliment to the efficiency of the personnel of the Grand Secretary's office.

Communications were received announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion ALBERT C. SMITH, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Massachusetts. Died August 24, 1921.

M. E. Companion JOHN B. HERSHEY, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado. Died September 19, 1921.

M. E. Companion IRVING W. STANTON, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado. Died October 18, 1921.

M. E. Companion TYLER D. HEISKEL, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado. Died October 22, 1921.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM SHERER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New York. Died November 20, 1921.

Most entertaining and pleasing addresses were made by the visiting Most Excellent Grand High Priests.

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at nine o'clock and forty minutes P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*



In Memory of  
**Past High Priests, Deceased**

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NAME	CHAPTER	DIED
HENRY C. BATON .....	No. 3	Jan. 20, 1921
WALTER F. HALL .....	" 3	Sept. 20, 1921
WILLIAM H. SHENEMAN, JR..	" 3	Dec. 7, 1920
RICHARD H. WATSON .....	" 3	May 30, 1921
JOHN L. MARTIN .....	" 43	April 6, 1921
JACOB GLASER .....	" 91	Mar. 13, 1921
WILLIAM P. BUZBY .....	" 91	Mar. 19, 1921
GEORGE A. THOMPSON .....	" 150	Feb. 26, 1921
JOHN W. VESTER .....	" 150	Aug. 5, 1921
ARTHUR JONES .....	" 159	Dec. 5, 1920
ROBERT F. POTTER .....	" 159	Jan. 13, 1921
WILLIAM T. BISHOP .....	" 161	Nov. 27, 1920
JOHN W. TAYLOR .....	" 162	Aug. 28, 1921
SIMON SEID .....	" 163	April 1, 1921
HARRY R. WARNOCK .....	" 164	Jan. 19, 1921
JAMES CLARENCY .....	" 169	Oct. 30, 1921
RUEL E. BILLINGS .....	" 172	July 15, 1921
WILLIAM L. DEWART .....	" 174	Jan. 7, 1921
JACOB W. DOWLER .....	" 175	Sept. 29, 1921
WILLIAM E. FOLTZ .....	" 176	May 25, 1921
A. W. FELLOWS .....	" 177	Feb. 1, 1921
JOHN A. SCHILBE .....	" 177	April 24, 1921
JOHN M. STEWART .....	" 179	Nov. 8, 1921
WILLIAM J. MACKINSON ....	" 182	Oct. 22, 1921
CHARLES W. GUNSTER .....	" 185	April 2, 1921
CONRAD S. SHEIVE .....	" 190	April 9, 1921
JAMES A. WELSH .....	" 190	Dec. 4, 1920
GEORGE F. MACDONALD .....	" 193	May 24, 1921
FAY F. HOWD .....	" 194	Oct. 29, 1921
JAMES S. GALLAGHER .....	" 195	Oct. 31, 1921

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NAME	CHAPTER	DIED
GRANT WEIDMAN, JR. ....	No. 197	Mar. 1, 1921
JEROME HYATT .....	" 200	Dec. 25, 1920
NATHAN R. JARDINE .....	" 202	Dec. 8, 1920
EDWARD S. BUCKMAN .....	" 203	Sept. 20, 1920
HORACE T. MENNON .....	" 204	Mar. 12, 1921
OLAF M. SPETTIGUE .....	" 204	Oct. 13, 1921
ABEL D. GARDNER .....	" 205	July 1, 1921
ALPHEUS B. FITCH .....	" 205	Feb. 24, 1921
AUSTIN G. EBERLY .....	" 209	May 26, 1921
CHARLES D. ELLIOTT .....	" 211	Nov. 27, 1920
ALFRED E. WILLIAMS .....	" 214	Dec. 20, 1918
A. P. BURTON .....	" 215	June 21, 1921
CHARLES H. WENHOLD .....	" 216	Nov. 4, 1921
FRANK D. DENTLER .....	" 218	Aug. 6, 1921
ELMER H. MAURER .....	" 219	Mar. 30, 1921
RALPH W. MONTELIUS .....	" 219	April 19, 1921
EDWARD SUTTO .....	" 219	Mar. 12, 1921
JAMES W. VAN BILLARD .....	" 220	July 19, 1921
JOSEPH CRAWFORD .....	" 222	Feb. 3, 1917
CLAYTON N. LAWRIE .....	" 223	Dec. 21, 1920
CHARLES A. BOWERS .....	" 224	May 31, 1921
JOSEPH H. GRAHAM .....	" 233	Feb. 21, 1921
GEORGE F. POWELL .....	" 233	June 30, 1921
SAMUEL F. DAVIS .....	" 234	April 9, 1919
WILLIAM F. CULLIS .....	" 236	Oct. 28, 1921
FREDERICK M. ALLEN .....	" 240	Dec. 22, 1920
WILLIAM H. E. MARTER .....	" 240	Aug. 14, 1921
HAMMON SECHLER .....	" 241	Jan. 10, 1921
WILLIAM C. BRENTON .....	" 242	May 19, 1921
JAMES RYAN .....	" 242	April 16, 1921

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NAME	CHAPTER	DIED
GEORGE A. BAIRD .....	No. 244	June 20, 1921
FRED A. REEN .....	" 246	June 15, 1921
JAMES A. GAULT .....	" 247	Oct. 9, 1921
JAMES L. YOHE .....	" 249	Nov. 3, 1920
JAMES E. M. KELLER .....	" 250	Dec. 22, 1920
WILLIAM H. CRESSON .....	" 251	June 7, 1921
OSCAR R. MEYERS .....	" 251	April 3, 1921
THOMAS W. SPARKS .....	" 251	Oct. 10, 1921
JOHN TAYLOR WOLFENDEN	" 256	Mar. 8, 1921
JOHN S. CALLAGHAN .....	" 256	Nov. 7, 1921
WILLIAM J. BARR .....	" 257	Dec. 12, 1920
JOHN D. GOFF .....	" 258	Dec. 15, 1920
THOMAS WHITTAM .....	" 258	Aug. 4, 1921
GEORGE B. GOULD .....	" 264	Oct. 29, 1921
CURTIS Q. McWILLIAMS ....	" 264	April 26, 1921
HERVEY J. STOCKING .....	" 265	Aug. 31, 1921
H. P. MARK .....	" 266	Nov. 13, 1920
WILLIAM L. MEGUIGAN .....	" 267	Oct. 12, 1921
WILLIAM E. BARRETT .....	" 268	Sept. 18, 1921
CHARLES R. NIGHTINGALE..	" 270	Feb. 14, 1921
AUGUSTUS W. DOTTERER ..	" 271	May 7, 1921
WILLIAM R. FRAIM .....	" 271	April 26, 1921
WILLIAM P. MILES .....	" 271	Jan. 29, 1921
WILLIAM R. GRUBB .....	" 274	Nov. 4, 1921
ADELBERT P. FRENCH .....	" 276	Feb. 15, 1921
HENRY J. PERSONS .....	" 276	Sept. 16, 1921
JERE McAVOY .....	" 277	May 16, 1921
CHARLES E. JONES .....	" 287	Nov. 16, 1920



REPORT  
OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The list following shows all the Grand Chapters in correspondence with this Grand Chapter and to whom the reviews were assigned:

ANNUAL  
CONVOCATION.

Alberta .....	March	} WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, P. G. H. P.
Alabama .....	December	
Arizona .....	November	
Arkansas .....	November	
British Columbia .....	June	
California .....	April	
Canada .....	January	
Colorado .....	September	
Connecticut .....	May	
Delaware .....	January	
District of Columbia .....	February	
England .....	May	
England and Wales .....	December	
England, Grand Mark Lodge ...	June	
Florida .....	May	} H. FRANKLIN BROSSMAN.
General Grand Chapter .....	September	
Georgia .....	April	
Idaho .....	June	
Illinois .....	October	
Indiana .....	October	
Iowa .....	July	
Ireland .....	December	
Kansas .....	February	
Kentucky .....	October	
Louisiana .....	February	
Maine .....	May	

Maryland .....	November	EDWARD W. RUSHTON.
Massachusetts .....	December	
Michigan .....	January	
Minnesota .....	October	
Mississippi .....	February	
Missouri .....	April	
Montana .....	September	
Nebraska .....	December	
Nevada .....	June	
New Brunswick .....	August	
New Hampshire .....	May	
New Jersey .....	May	
New Mexico .....	October	JOHN M. CORE.
New South Wales .....	February	
New York .....	February	
North Carolina .....	June	
North Dakota .....	June	
Nova Scotia .....	June	
Ohio .....	October	
Oklahoma .....	April	
Oregon .....	June	
Quebec .....	March	
Rhode Island .....	March	
Scotland .....	March	
South Carolina .....	February	GEORGE H. BANES.
South Dakota .....	June	
Tennessee .....	January	
Texas .....	December	
Utah .....	May	
Vermont .....	June	
Victoria .....	October	
Virginia .....	November	
Washington .....	June	
West Virginia .....	November	
Wisconsin .....	February	
Wyoming .....	March	

The alphabetical distribution of the several Jurisdictions is still continued.

The Committee on Correspondence is still made up of the usual number, five, although four perform

the duties. The other one member, Comp. WILLIAM R. MURPHEY, was appointed a member of the Committee on December 27, 1916, and performed his duties faithfully until prevented by serious illness. He was a man of sterling qualities, skilled in his profession (the law), a bright and keen mind, a most pleasing and entertaining talker, a profound student of Masonry and the Holy Bible. The son of a distinguished Methodist minister. He early in life embraced that religion and lived an exemplary life, loved and respected by all who knew him. He was made a Mason in Phoenixville Lodge, No. 75, resigned and became a member of Mozart Lodge, No. 436, and served as Worshipful Master in 1900. He was a member of Palestine Chapter, No. 240, and served as High Priest. He entered into rest on Monday, December 5, 1921.

We present to the Grand Chapter our review of all the Grand Chapters with whom we are in correspondence, so far as the proceedings have been received by the Committee.

Continued prosperity attends all Grand Jurisdictions. We incline to the belief however, that the increase has not been as great as last year.

Peace and Harmony prevails in the Capitular World, only marred by the clouds which appeared in the horizon over the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter, which, for a time, threatened its peace, but they were



quietly dissipated at the meeting of the General Grand Chapter in September, when the proposed amendments were, by a large majority, laid upon the table, and now sleep the sleep that knows no awakening. The only good we could see in them was the hope that the General Grand Chapter, vested with greater power, might enforce uniformity in the work of the constituent Grand Chapters.

One of the subjects frequently mentioned in the Jurisdictions is the revision of the ritual. It seems to us that the work should be unchangeable. That is our proud boast. We favor a uniformity of work in the several Jurisdictions of the United States. We tender to Capitular Masonry the unwritten work of the oldest Grand Chapter on the American Continent, Pennsylvania.

The Capitular degrees are so beautiful, and the lessons they convey are of so much importance to mankind, that everything should be done to preserve them as they came to us, and transmit them to our successors as we received them.

The Masonic year is practically ended. As we enter upon the New Year let it be with the resolve that we will strive to increase our interest and devotion to Capitular Masonry.

W. B. M.

December 27, 1921.

## ALBERTA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta held their Seventh Annual Convocation in the City of Edmonton, on Wednesday and Thursday, March 9 and 10, 1921.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* on Wednesday, March 9, 1921, at two o'clock P. M., by Most Excellent Companion NORMAN T. MACLEOD, Grand Z. All officers were present, also four Past Grand First Principals, and representatives of twenty-two of the twenty-four warranted Chapters.

The Grand Z. presented an admirable address, full of good advice to all Royal Arch Masons. He visited nineteen of the twenty-four warranted Chapters and was most cordially received. He granted a number of dispensations, refused two for reasons which we give:

“Hillvue Chapter, No. 15, to accept an application of Brother HUGH CAMERON, a Master Mason of less than six months.

“Bekah Chapter, No. 7, to receive application for exaltation of a Brother who had not been six months a Master Mason nor resided one year in this Grand Jurisdiction. (The reason given for applying for a dispensation in this case was so that the Brother could receive the degrees before the Chapter called off for the summer months. In view of the fact that this Chapter had not exalted a candidate during the past year, I think an opportunity of this kind should be sufficient inducement to continue the meetings so long as there is work to be done.)”

We believe his refusal will meet the approval of all.

He had the great pleasure of listening to that distinguished Mason, M. E. Companion WILLIAM N.



PONTON, the Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada. His opinion is as follows:

“M. E. Companion PONTON is too well known in the Masonic world to need any comment of mine, but I am sure the Companions will agree with me that the privilege of meeting and hearing him is appreciated here. His stirring address, the expression of high and noble sentiments yet overflowing with the milk of human kindness and fraternal love, will not soon be forgotten, while the under current of stern and unyielding loyalty to our Order and Flag, which at times could not be suppressed, but must have expression, will, I hope, not be lost sight of. The tie that binds us to our Mother Grand Chapter has been drawn closer and strengthened fourfold by his visit to us.”

He again discusses the “Moon Schedule.” This appears to be a difficult problem to handle in the Northwest. In time it will solve itself. We give one of his suggestions:

“I would suggest that it be made law that no Brother can be received as a M. E. M. until the expiry of one calendar month from the time he was advanced to the degree of M. M. M., and the same period of probation again elapse before he can be exalted, and in every case advancement only to be made after satisfactory examination of the candidate, as laid down, in open Lodge; also that the Brother’s mark must be selected and registered before he is advanced. I would also suggest that definite regulations be made and enforced covering the number of candidates to be taken through the several degrees or parts of the ceremonies at one time.”

This would be pretty drastic. Still it would be productive of good. His reference to the conditions existing in the several Chapters is sound.

“A survey of conditions existing in our Chapters, a comparison of the attendance with the total membership—leaving out the drawbacks of travel, etc., in the sparsely settled districts, leaving out what might be termed the large silent vote, those who are carrying on the work (and good work too) in their own quiet way—still shows a wide discrepancy. It may be that it is their innate modesty keeps these Companions away. They may feel somewhat like the young girl who left her country home to take service in the nearby city, with high hopes of improving her condition, socially and finan-



cially. She returned to her home after a few days and, on being questioned as to her reason for doing so, replied 'She could not afford to work for any family who could not afford to employ better help than she, herself, was.' To our Companions who are staying away from our meetings and who are not sharing in our activities for any such reason as this the best and easiest remedy is to cultivate a little interest in the affairs and doings of the local organization. One of the first lessons taught us was: 'In all important undertakings there must be Wisdom to contrive, Strength to support and Beauty to adorn,' and I think our presiding officers will consider we are, if only by our attendance, displaying at least one of these estimable virtues, as a well-filled Chapter room is a beautiful sight, and if we acquire this one it will not be long before we, unknown to ourselves, develop a new and healthier growth of the other two, and our 'Family' be in a position to employ 'help' that will not be doubtful of its own qualifications.'

Grand Scribe E.'s report shows the past year to have been one of continued progress, both in membership and finances. The membership December 31, 1920, was twenty-four hundred and ninety-one (2491), an increase of two hundred and forty-six (246) during the year.

The financial statement shows a balance in bank February 28, 1921, of one thousand two hundred and sixteen and 62/100 (\$1,216.62) dollars.

The report of the Committee on Grand Z.'s Address endorses his suggestions as to the time of receiving, etc., with a doubt as to time.

"We heartily concur with the Grand Z. that greater length of time should elapse between advancement, receiving and exaltation of Candidates, but whether that should be one calendar month we are not prepared to say, but would insist that every candidate pass a satisfactory examination in preceding Degree before being advanced."

We believe something should be done to prevent the railroading of candidates in any Masonic body. His suggestion is possibly too extreme.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is again prepared by M. E. Companion STEPHEN Y. TAYLOR. It is a peculiar report, but both interesting and able.

An engraving of the retiring Z. adorns the first page.

M. E. Companion HIRAM DARLING was elected Grand Z. and R. E. Companion JOHN E. JOHNSON re-elected Grand Scribe E. Both were installed.

W. B. M.

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### ALABAMA.

The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama held their Ninety-fourth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Montgomery, at one o'clock P. M., on Monday, November 29, 1920.

The R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest opened Grand Chapter in *Due Form* followed by an eloquent prayer by Grand Chaplain. All but two of the Grand Officers were present; also nine Past Grand High Priests, and the Representatives of seventy-six subordinate Chapters.

By order of R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest, the R. E. Grand Captain of the Host and the Excellent Grand Principal Sojourner proceeded to the office of the M. E. Grand High Priest and informed him that Grand Chapter was now open. He was escorted



into the Grand Chapter. His entrance proclaimed, the Grand Honors were given, and he was conducted to the East.

We gave our views on this procedure last year and haven't changed them, but the Grand Chapter of Alabama is a law unto itself.

The Grand High Priest then read his address. He presents his actions during the year in a business-like manner.

He issued dispensations to form and organize six new Chapters; also one to re-organize a Chapter, and another authorizing a dormant Chapter to resume work; also a number of dispensations for various purposes. He, however, balked when it came to issuing a dispensation enabling an applicant to be in readiness for the next meeting of the Shrine. We quote his language:

“For good and sufficient reasons I have issued a few dispensations to ballot out of statutory time. In a few cases where applications had been made the request was not granted, the reasons given in my mind not being sufficient, some applications stating that the applicants were anxious to rush through in order to be in readiness for the next meeting of the Shrine.

“While I am a member of the Shrine and enjoy to the fullest extent the association of the Nobles, yet I feel that one should take Masonry more seriously and reflect more on what Masonry really means than a desire to rush through, for it is too often the case that a young Mason in rushing through too fast does not take the interest that perhaps he would have taken had he studied the beauties of the other Degrees and had he not had the Shrine as his goal.”

Wise action. Both good sense and good Masonry. We claim that a dispensation should never be granted for the sole purpose of enabling a candidate



to be rushed through the Masonic degrees to enable him to apply for degrees based upon membership in Masonry, and especially the Shrine, which makes no claim for being part of Masonry.

He issued an appeal for the Alabama Masonic Home. The response was generous as it should be. I quote from the appeal:

“To help the weak, comfort their sorrow and lend our aid to their misfortunes, is a duty we are taught in all our Degrees.

“In our Masonic Home are worthy Brethren for whom the burdens of life have been too heavy and with their loved ones have fallen under their weighty loads. There are widows whose husbands, and little children whose fathers, were our brothers and now alone and helpless they look to us for comfort and support.

“The Home needs your assistance. The demands upon it are increasing, and they must be met. I ask that this be read at your Annual Convocation, that you remember your obligations and think of the weak and feeble Brethren, the lonely and destitute widows, the many helpless little children for whom we are caring; and then every Companion contribute as much as he can to this most worthy cause.”

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of eight thousand four hundred and twenty-two and 38/100 (\$8,422.38) dollars.

The report of the Grand Secretary shows the membership, October 15, 1920, to be ten thousand seven hundred and sixty-five (10,765), a net gain of twenty-six hundred and twenty-nine (2629) during the year.

The following distinguished visitors were announced: Most Worshipful Brother PERCY B. DIXON, Grand Master of Masons in Alabama; Most Illustrious Companion LOUIS J. WRIGHT, Grand Master of

the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama, and Right Eminent SIR WALTER H. TRIMBY, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama. They were most cordially welcomed and invited to seats on the right of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

A committee was appointed at the last Annual Convocation "To present a plan of procedure whereby the principles of Masonry and of American Citizenship shall be more thoroughly and efficiently translated into National life," through their Chairman submitted their report, from which we quote the following:

"We are to consider the principles of Masonry and American citizenship—yes, but remember, however sublime these principles may be, they are utterly valueless unless they are translated into our life, conduct and character. They are not self-moved, self-operative. We must lay hold upon them and deal with them earnestly, diligently and wisely if they are to help us at all. Their possession simply is of no value whatever. They must be active and alive, and manifest themselves in the shape of deeds, which means service for others, as well as our own self development—must be incorporated into national life, if they are to contribute to the welfare and perpetuity of our Republic.

"The Committee urges upon each Mason his duty, earnestly and constantly to strive to exemplify in his life the principles taught him at our sacred altar, bidding him let his light shine and be loyal, industrious and upright, while striving to promote every movement which tends to the upbuilding of good order, liberty and sobriety. In so doing, he is building up Americanism, as well as Masonry. It has been truly said 'The truth for us to remember at all times, and especialy in these times is the truth that the hope of a nation is not in its form of government, nor in the wisdom and equity of its executive, nor in the justice and purity of its administration, so much as in the elevation and redemption of individual character among its people.' Let us understand that the principles of Masonry and Americanism will contribute little toward the safety and perpetuity of our country save as we apply them in the spirit of earnestness, in the spirit of consecration, in the spirit of patriotism, to our country's need."



The report of the Committee on Correspondence was again presented by M. E. Companion LAWRENCE H. LEE, P. G. H. P. It is a very able report. We are treated very courteously. Allow me to say that we will not fall out about the conclusion he draws from my remarks on dispensations. We are thankful that we always have had conservative Grand High Priests.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest adorns the first page.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM L. LEE was elected M. E. Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion GEORGE A. BEAUCHAMP was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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## ARIZONA.

The Most Excellant Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Arizona held their Thirty-first Annual Convocation in the Masonic Hall, in the City of Bisbee, on Wednesday, February 9, 1921.

Most Excellent Companion EDWIN ALVIN HUGHES, Grand High Priest, opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at two o'clock P. M. All Grand Officers except one were present. Twelve Past Grand High Priests and representatives of all the Chapters of the Jurisdiction, ten in number, were present.

The Grand High Priest delivered his address. It is brief; a review of his work during the year. He



got into State politics in the early part of the year; as a consequence, he made no official visits. He even refrained from visiting any Chapter, except in his own town. He was successful, as he uses the following:

“I regret to have to report that I denied myself the pleasure of making any official visits during the past year, for the reason that, during the early part of 1920, I decided to become a candidate for a State office, and during the time of my candidacy I refrained from visiting any Chapter outside of my home town.

“Subsequent to the election, I was very busy settling up my affairs at home and getting moved into my new home in Phoenix.”

The Grand Treasurer's report shows the total assets of the Grand Chapter to be ten thousand seven hundred and eighty-five and 94/100 (\$10,785.94) dollars.

The Grand Secretary's report shows the total membership, December 31, 1920, to be eleven hundred and nineteen (1119), a gain of one hundred and six (106) during the year.

No report from the Committee on Correspondence was printed.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest is published on the first page of the proceedings.

M. E. Companion CHARLES F. PHILBROCK was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion GEORGE J. ROSKRUGE was elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

## ARKANSAS.

The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arkansas held their Seventy-first Annual Convocation in the Albert Pike Consistory, in the City of Little Rock, on Thursday, November 18, A. D. 1920.

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion EDGAR A. McCULLUGH, opened Grand Chapter at nine o'clock A. M. All Grand Officers were present. Nine Past Grand High Priests and representatives of sixty subordinate Chapters were also present. A number of distinguished visitors were received and welcomed, several with Grand Honors. They were M. E. Companion CHARLES N. RIX, General Grand King of the M. E. General Grand Chapter of the United States; Most Illustrious Companion FAY HUMPSTEAD, Deputy Grand Master of the General Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of the United States; Companion WILLIAM W. MCGEE, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Arkansas, and Companion JOHN H. COWLES, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of F. and A. Masons of Kentucky.

The Grand High Priest read his address. It is quite lengthy. He refers to Masonry as a moral force in the following language:

“We may point with pride and satisfaction to the fact that Masonry has been and is now a great moral force in this State, as elsewhere. Its influence on community welfare has been admittedly extensive and society at large has been the beneficiary of its wholesome and righteous activities.

It is safe to assert that no other single organization has contributed more than Masonry to the upbuilding of society or has led the way more directly to good citizenship. Membership in a Masonic Lodge is, indeed, a mark of honor in this State. And Capitular Masonry feeds the souls of those hungering for further light. It is an inspiration to the worthy Master Mason.''

Outside the Church Free Masonry is the greatest moral force in the world. It has done more to upbuild humanity, lead man to his Creator, than all other forces have. Its strength and influence are felt not only among the membership, but entire communities are benefited by its influence.

He granted two dispensations to organize and open two new Chapters, and, by his orders, a new Chapter was instituted.

He pursued a very liberal policy in granting dispensations; in fact, it seemed as if all that were asked for were granted.

But few official visitations were made, owing to business affairs.

He made quite a number of decisions, which doubtless are good Masonic law in Arkansas. A number of them are good in any Jurisdiction.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a cash balance on hand of seven thousand four hundred and thirty-five and 66/100 (\$7,435.66) dollars. In addition, the Grand Chapter has on hand five thousand (\$5,000) dollars in United States Government Bonds. A healthy financial condition.



The Grand Secretary's report shows the present membership, November 18, 1920, to be six thousand four hundred and seven (6,407), a net gain of nine hundred and eighty-one.

The Committee on Rituals are not in entire accord with the General Grand Chapter.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is very brief, but we believe fully covers all matters of importance.

An engraving of the incoming Grand High Priest adorns the first page.

M. E. Companion N. E. McCracy was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion JOHN C. BONE was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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## BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia held their Third Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Victoria, on Tuesday, June 21, 1921.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at ten o'clock A. M. by Most Excellent Companion EDWARD B. PAUL, Grand Z., with all the Grand Officers present, two Past Grand Zs. and fourteen subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest read his address. He reviews, in detail, his actions during the year. It is an able address. He is optimistic of his Grand Chapter, as is indicated by the following:

“The Grand Chapter is yet in its infancy, but I hope that some of the young Companions here may be spared to be present in 1969 at the Fiftieth anniversary of its foundation, and then perhaps they will receive with pride and reverence a medal struck in honor of the occasion, and having on its obverse the effigy of our esteemed and beloved Founder, Most Excellent Companion HARRY H. WATSON. POWELL and BURNABY are being honored this week as founders of Grand Lodge—WATSON’S name will be equally revered by future generations of Royal Arch Masons as the Founder of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia.”

He is greatly delighted at the condition of the Royal Craft in British Columbia. He contends that statistics do not show the real condition in Free Masonry. His own story is:

“If any argument were required to prove the wisdom of the establishment of a Grand Chapter in British Columbia, I would draw your attention to the report which will be laid before you by our Right Excellent Scribe E. on the matter of the number of members enrolled in each Chapter, the number of Exaltations during the year under review, and the increase in the year 1920-21 over that of 1919-20. By that you will observe that great activity exists throughout the Jurisdiction. The total number of the Exaltations, during the calendar year of 1920, was 270, and the number of Members on the Roll on December 31, 1920, was 2,038, an increase of 296 over the number reported by Right Excellent Scribe E. in his last report. But those statistics, no matter how instructive and interesting, are only a small indication of the enthusiasm exhibited by the Chapters which visits to them disclose. I have found in every Chapter inspected by me zeal and love for Capitular Masonry, emulation in the work, and true Masonic spirit, proving to me that Most Excellent Companion WATSON’S statement in his address that ‘there is a great revival in Royal Arch Masonry’ is as absolutely true now as it was when he made it. I am certain, therefore, that that revival occurring immediately after the Foundation of Grand Chapter is no coincidence, but is the result of its establishment.”

He issued two dispensations for the formation of new Chapters.

He made a number of official visits. Was most cordially received. He is proud of the work and growth of Capitular Masonry in British Columbia.

The reports of the Grand Principal H. and Grand Principal T. were read. They contain matters of importance to the Grand Chapter.

The reports of the Grand Superintendents were presented. They are really the history of the Grand Chapter.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows cash on hand, June 21, 1921, twenty-seven hundred and thirty-one and 42/100 (\$2731.42) dollars.

The report of the Grand Scribe E. shows the total membership, December 31, 1920, to be two thousand and thirty-eight (2,038) members, an increase during the year of two hundred and seven (207).

R. E. Companion JOHN W. PRESCOTT presents the second report of the Committee on Correspondence. It is an excellent report. We note under New Mexico the following:

“The Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, was introduced and made a short address.”

Would ask: Was he received in his official capacity with the Eastern Star, or as a Royal Arch Mason? This organization has no place in Masonry.



He touches on the amendment of the General Grand Chapter. His quotations are generally unfavorable.

An engraving of the retiring Grand Z. adorns the first page.

M. E. Companion D. H. MORRISON was elected Z., and R. E. Companion JOHN W. PRESCOTT was re-elected Grand Scribe E. Both were installed.

W. B. M.

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## CALIFORNIA

The Sixty-seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Long Beach, on Tuesday, April 19, 1921.

Most Excellent Companion HARRY MAUNDRELL, Grand High Priest, opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at ten o'clock A. M., with all Grand Officers present. Six Past Grand High Priests, representatives of ninety-nine subordinate Chapters and two Chapters under dispensation were also present. Eleven Chapters were not represented.

A number of distinguished visitors were received and welcomed, being accorded the "Grand Honors of Royal Arch Masonry," noticeably Companion FREDERICK W. CRAIG, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States.

The Grand High Priest read his address. It is rather brief, but worthy of careful reading. In speaking of the increase of membership he says:

“The capitular year just passed has shown most remarkable and gratifying results, particularly in the item of membership gains, the splendid increase recorded in the preceding year having been just about doubled. This seems to have arisen from the fact that the great wave of Masonry, of which we feel the beneficent results in that year, far from having spent its force, seems to have gathered and accumulated greater strength and power as it marched along inundating all branches of the Order but none to a greater extent than Capitular Masonry. Our gains have at least kept pace with, if not surpassed, those of any other branch of Masonry, and the Chapter seems now really to be coming into its own and assuming the rank, the position to which it is entitled. Much as we would like to take credit for what has happened, myself and the splendid corps of officers of the Grand Chapter cannot attribute this uprising to our unaided efforts; rather, we reverently tender our thanks to the Supreme Architect of the Universe, who has made these great results possible, and has given us the opportunity to profit by and use them, that Capitular Masonry may be fittingly and lastingly benefited by our action.”

The progress in Free Masonry appears to be general throughout the English speaking countries, especially so of Capitular Masonry. Various reasons are given for the great increase. It appears to the writer that two causes have largely contributed to the great progress of Royal Arch Masonry: the hard work of active and enthusiastic Royal Arch Masons, and the easy money.

He granted permission to hold an open air meeting in the hills near San Andreas under certain restrictions, but not sufficient in our opinion to make it absolutely safe. It occurs to the writer that such a request should never be asked or granted. The only place to hold a Masonic meeting for any purpose, is within the tiled doors of a lodge room.



He granted a number of dispensations, but none to ballot or confer the degrees out of time.

He constituted two new Chapters and issued dispensations for the formation of three new Chapters. In closing, he cautions the Fraternity against the present policy of making so many Masons. We give his own language:

“In closing I wish to say, Companions, speaking Masonically, these are stirring times; whether as a result of the upheaval caused by the Great War in Europe or of the superior intelligence resulting from the opportunities afforded, and the raising of the general standard of education by our splendid public school system, there seems to be a stronger trend towards Masonry than any previous generation has known. But while we are, doubtless, greatly tempted to take every advantage of this situation, and reach out for increase, and still further increase, of the numbers marching under our banner, is not this especially the time to institute a greater measure of care in the selection of our members, and not blindly, without due care, admit any and every one who does us the honor to knock at our doors? As Royal Arch Masons should we not exercise greater caution than ever in passing upon applications? The mere fact that a man has managed to get by, to pass one investigating Committee, and has become a Master Mason, should not of itself operate to cause us to dispense with all precautions—especially in view of the fact that Lodges have found, before now, that some applicants who have managed to get in, should never have been admitted. That will not excuse our laxness, and it will at all times be well to bear in mind that the welfare, the perpetuity of our institution depends not so much upon making members as upon making Masons.”

The Grand Secretary's report shows the membership, April 1, 1921, to be seventeen thousand two hundred and forty (17,240), a net gain during the year of two thousand and twenty-six (2,026).

The Grand Lecturer's report is an able paper. We quote a suggestion:



“In concluding my report may I suggest, Companions, that if we would have Royal Arch Masonry in California occupy that exalted position which we claim for it, and where it rightfully belongs, it is the duty not alone of the officers of the Chapters, but of each and every one of our Grand Officers to actively and industriously and unselfishly co-operate through every avenue for the betterment and strengthening of our Chapters, not only in the exercise of proper care in the selection of suitable material therein, but in every line of endeavor which will tend to increase their standing and usefulness; because this Grand Chapter but reflects in a great measure what the average condition of each Chapter is—it can function only by means of its Chapters, and its ultimate success depends largely upon the character and standing and correct management of its several units or Chapters.”

The Committee on Jurisprudence submitted a report on the “Revised and Submitted Constitution for the General Grand Chapter,” etc. It is interesting reading to Pennsylvanians. We give it:

“Your Committee on Jurisprudence has had under consideration ‘Revised and Submitted Constitution for the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America’ and the Statutes, Edicts, Penal Code, Forms and Ceremonies submitted therewith, and after carefully comparing the proposed new laws for the Royal Craft with our present Constitution, your committee is inclined to submit to the General Grand Chapter, that careful consideration is necessary before abandoning our present well understood law and making such a radical change in the principles governing Royal Arch Masonry; therefore we offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:

“*Resolved*, that this Grand Chapter is unalterably opposed to any change in the present laws of the General Grand Chapter which will permit any interference whatever with the exclusive right of each Grand Chapter to govern and control subordinate Chapters and Royal Arch Masons under its jurisdiction.

They seem to voice the sentiments of many Grand Chapters, subordinate to the General Grand Chapter.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is again prepared by Companion HUGH KING

McKEUK. It is up to his high standard. Under the head of Education he quotes from our report, wherein the view is taken that "Education is a duty of the State," then asks our views on endorsing, or not endorsing the Smith-Towner Bill. My reply is brief: Hands off. Masonry and politics won't mix, and Fraternity will be worsted. I love politics, but I love Free Masonry too much to see an attempt made to mix them.

The first page is an engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion HARRY MAUNDRELL.

M. E. Companion MATTISON BOYD JONES was elected Grand High Priest and R. E. Companion THOMAS A. DAVIS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

W. B. M.

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## CANADA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada held their Sixty-third Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of London, on Wednesday, February 23, 1921.

Most Excellent Companion WILLIAM N. PONTON, Grand Z., opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at ten o'clock A. M. with a large number of Grand Officers present; the representatives of one hundred and twenty-seven subordinate Chapters were present.



A number of distinguished visitors from the Grand Jurisdictions of New York and Washington were introduced and greeted by the Grand Z. in cordial terms. They were also accorded the Grand Honors.

The Grand Z. presented his address. It is one of the best I have ever read and shows that he is both a great man and a great Mason. He is very proud of what has been done by his Jurisdiction during the year, but it will sound better in his own language:

“The year just passed has been one of unexampled and purposeful progress, an increase of nearly 3,000 members, fourteen new Chapters under Dispensation, with investments of \$45,000, with an income of \$23,000, an expenditure of \$15,000, an addition to capital during the year of \$8,000. Surely we are justified in feeling a reasonable pride in this great Jurisdiction with its immense areas, its greater potentialities, and its splendid spirit, but we realize also our responsibility and the absolute necessity of hearty and efficient co-operation in the labor of loyal love to which the rulers of the Royal Craft must devote themselves in order to live up to the trusts reposed in them and the honor conferred upon them. As our Brother the Prince of Wales, from whom we received cordial New Year’s greetings, said in one of his stirring rallying calls—‘Let us overcome our problems, let us pull together.’ Let us marshal our resources and lift together! Let us unify our forces and work together!’”

He made a large number of visits during his two years of service, as far East as Quebec to visit the Grand Chapter of Quebec. As to his Western trip we quote his own language:

“Perhaps the out-standing feature of this my last year of office has been my well-filled month spent in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, fulfilling as best I might within the thirty-one days allotted, an itinerary of mileage and distance of which I did not believe any man capable until after it was performed. The ordinary became the extraordinary, the commonplace was woven into the texture of strenuous and colorful romance. Areas and dimensions are now to me realizable in these spacious days. Beginning at Port Arthur and Fort William—the outlets of the Golden Harv-



ests of the West as well as the exemplars of the five points of fellowship, I passed on in succession to Portage la Prairie, Winnipeg, Boissevain, Brandon, Melville, Regina, Saskatoon, Battleford, Edmonton, Calgary, Banff, Swift Current and Moose Jaw and thence by a force march over that wonder of human creation and management, the C. P. R., back to Hiram of Hamilton. It seems all like one great field of the cloth of gold studded with jewels. 'East is East and West is West, but there is neither East nor West, border, nor breed, nor birth, when good strong men come face to face though they come from the ends of the earth.' I was told at Fort William that I was going to a Country where every mound was a mountain, every rivulet a river and every man a loyal liar; but no mendacity was needed. The harvest of story was only half told—the patriotic picture only half painted.'"

He visited many of the Jurisdictions of our own Country, among them our own.

His advice to Masons and what constitutes a Mason should be read by all.

"And I again emphasize the fact that we can find ample talent among Master Masons and Royal Arch Masons without going outside of the Household of the Faithful. The great majority of Degrees can be conferred at emergent meetings. A limited number only at regular meetings, so that Masons may teach and know each other by personal contact and so that midnight may see all good Royal Craftsmen homeward bound. At that hour—'East, west, hame's best.' Punctuality at the beginning, vim and vigor in the conduct of the agenda and entertainment (with no minute unutilized), will send home a satisfied membership who will COME AGAIN. Even in the gay days of Horace, enough was as good as a feast, and he wrote in a language that is not dead—

" 'Lusisti satis, edisti satis, atque bibisti:  
Tempus abire tibi est.'

"And thus coming to read a new chapter in the book of Masonic life, let each one bring a Companion—a pleasant Companion is as good as a coach—for one man is no man. A lop-sided man, a crank or a selfish man is a disconnected 'phone. The most enlightened selfishness is unselfishness. The Golden Rule runs everywhere. Let us *other* ourselves! The Mason of old time was described as a sociable creature, a lover of good company, and a delighter in his equals among men of good will. We have not retrograded. We are not in the autumn of the excellences.'"

He declares that our bed rock is freedom, but not freedom from law, and thus defines the law:

“Law—the sanction of society—the State’s collected will—must be enforced in law-abiding Canada. We must aid in putting down sternly those Sinn Feiners, Bolshevists and Anarchists who would interfere with the freedom of loyal speech, even in patriotic Toronto. Such men neither fear God, love the brotherhood, nor honor the King. Any one can destroy. A stone can dint a golden cup or shatter a priceless crystal. Remember we are the builders (much more than patchers and tinkers), builders in the community, as in the Craft. There is such a thing of course as being too paternally governed—when almost fanatically or at least faddishly personal liberty is sought to be not controlled but *abolished*. Still law is in the main the tie that binds—the safeguard of freedom, honest in its aim, effective in its aid. And supporting the law, that is just law, wisely administered, we Masons who are not ‘stupid atheists or irreligious libertines,’ who value the sacredness of human life, the rights of property and home, must support true religion and the Church of the Great Law Giver. Worship to us Masons should include the putting our creed into our deed. ‘Remember my Commandments—to *do them*.’ Keep the altar fires burning and keep the anvils ringing.”

He made a large number of decisions, all of which are doubtless good law in his Jurisdiction. Some of them would be good law in all Jurisdictions.

He closes his wonderful address in a peculiar manner.

“Let each one of us ask not—‘What say men that I am?’ but ‘Whom say men that I am?’ And it is my prayer and trust as I pass the sceptre of this Royal Craft to my in every way worthy successor, that you each and all may be able to answer truly that great question with the help of the Most High—‘Men say that we are loyal comrades and generous friends.’ The countersign of Masonry is still Manhood. The Brotherhood of man begins with the Manhood of the Brother. True virile Masonry should add a zeal to work, a zest to play—

‘May the Giver of gifts give unto you  
That which is good—that which is true,  
The will to help and the courage to do,  
A heart that can sing the whole day through,  
Whether the sky be grey or blue,  
May the Giver of gifts give these to you.’ ”



The Grand Superintendent's reports, including the Yukon District, are certainly a valuable asset to the Grand Chapter, and should have the careful consideration of the members of Grand Chapter.

The investments of the Grand Chapter on January 31, 1921, were forty-four thousand four hundred and ninety-three and 88/100 (\$44,493.88) dollars.

The report of the Grand Scribe E. shows the past year to have been one of the most prosperous in the history of the Grand Chapter. The membership, as shown by the report on December 31, 1920, was twenty-three thousand five hundred and twenty-five (23,525), a net gain of twenty-nine hundred and one (2901), with one hundred and sixty-three warranted Chapters and fourteen under dispensation.

In reference to the great increase in membership and the influence Masonry has upon the character of its members he says:

“While the Grand Superintendents naturally point with pride to the large increase in membership, it is evident that they appreciate it is not the numerical strength of a Chapter which is the measure of its usefulness. That the important factor is the effect which Masonry has upon the character of its members and upon their lives and actions as citizens of their country and the world. In the interest of mankind the benefits of Masonry should be widely extended but care must be exercised that wholesale extensions do not impair the spirit; otherwise those benefits will be weakened and Masonry will cease to give to its members that wonderful gift of close friendship, brotherly love, sincerity, truth and mutual service which has been at once its glory and its strength.

“There has come down to us from the ages traditions which powerfully affect the life and being of the Order. We are a link in a long chain which stretches from the remote past and which will stretch to a still more remote future provided we and those who come after us are but true to our



trust, faithful to our duty and determined as sincere, earnest Masons to keep strong and bright the link committed to our care. The golden chain must not be tarnished, its strength weakened, nor the glorious traditions of the Craft made less effective through our unworthiness.

“Capitular Masonry is recruited solely from Symbolic Masonry and therefore the first responsibility rests with the Craft lodges who accept the uninitiated and confer upon him the blessing of light.

“This does not relieve Chapters of the secondary responsibility of careful selection and no mercenary or other unworthy motive should tempt them to increase their membership for the sake of mere size.”

It is certainly most satisfactory to the Grand Chapter that such great prosperity, both financially and numerically, should be theirs.

The Grand Chapter covers a large extent of territory which is but sparsely settled, but, in time, will become most populous, and a stronghold for Free Masonry.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was again prepared by E. Companion EDWARD B. BROWN. Like his last, it is an able report. He very fully reviews the several Grand Jurisdictions. We receive a lengthy and complimentary review.

An engraving of the newly elected Grand Z. will be found on the first page.

M. E. Companion HERBERT S. GRIFFIN was elected Grand Z., and R. E. Companion HENRY T. SMITH was re-elected Grand Scribe E. They were installed.

W. B. M.

## CONNECTICUT.

The One hundred and twenty-third Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Hartford, Tuesday, May 10, 1921.

M. E. Companion HENRY R. TISDALE, Grand High Priest opened Grand Chapter at ten o'clock A. M., having all Grand Officers present, also fifteen Past Grand High Priests and representatives of thirty-eight subordinate Chapters present.

As usual a large number of distinguished visitors were present, representing the Grand Jurisdictions of Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Rhode Island, the General Grand Chapter and Canada. They were introduced, welcomed and received with Grand Honors.

The Grand High Priest read his annual address, being a report of his transactions during the year. He rejoices at the phenomenal growth, and that he finds in Royal Arch Masonry a continuation of genuine Brotherhood.

He made fourteen visitations and attended the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island.

He issued two dispensations to receive and ballot upon two applicants who had each lost a portion of

a leg. He is the judge, but it is hard to reconcile with the requirements of Ancient Masonry. He refused a number of requests for short time ballots. True Masonic law.

He made a decision in reference to candidates receiving the Royal Arch Degree from which we must differ. Come over to Philadelphia, and we will show you a way of conferring it that will meet every requirement and be strictly within Masonic law.

The Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King and Grand Scribe made separate reports of their visits to subordinate Chapters under their system. Few, if any, subordinate Chapters fail to receive a visit from one of the Grand Officers during the year. We like the plan. It is rare that the visit of a Grand Officer does not stimulate the members to renewed activity.

The Grand King represented the Grand High Priest at the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, at Alexandria, Va. He was deeply impressed with the meeting and surroundings. He also attended a meeting of the Masonic Service Association. He expresses no opinion of it. My information is limited, so I can't help him.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a balance on hand of five thousand two hundred and eighty-five and 47/100 (\$5,285.47) dollars.



The Grand Secretary's report shows the membership, April 30, 1921 to be twelve thousand nine hundred and fifty-three (12,953), a gain during the year of thirteen hundred and sixty-three (1363).

The Special Committee appointed to report on the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter made their report, concluding with a resolution as follows:

"We find that one of the proposed amendments, if adopted, would extremely broaden the powers of the General Grand Chapter, enabling it to assume arbitrary and despotic sovereignty over its constituent Grand Chapters, would empower it to force the use of its inferior and everchanging ritual, and would otherwise result in an injurious centralization of power, thereby reducing the State Grand Chapters to the status of mere and practically useless provincial Grand Bodies.

"We refrain from especial discussion of the remaining amendments, deeming the reasons urged in favor of their adoption as mostly too puerile for serious notice.

"We therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

"*Resolved*, that the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut strongly deprecates the adoption of the proposed amendments to the constitution of the General Grand Chapter, and instructs its representatives to use all honorable means to defeat the same."

The report and resolution were adopted.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is again prepared by M. E. Companion GEORGE A. KIES, Past Grand High Priest. It is his thirteenth report, an unusually strong one. We receive kind treatment. His conclusion refers mainly to the amendments of General Grand Chapter Constitution. In fact, it crops out in nearly every review, but we give the conclusion:

“The proposed ill-considered amendments to the General Grand Chapter’s constitution have been freely discussed (and generally *be-cussed*) by correspondents, nearly all of the latter positively condemning them. Under date of March 1, 1921, the Revision Committee sent out a circular which would indicate that they have a bad case of ‘cold feet.’ They state their desire to ‘strengthen the position’ of the General Grand, and not to interfere with the sovereign rights of Grand Chapters. But they proceed to assert that ‘the ritual ought always to be in the control of and promulgated by the General Grand.’ They close with this breezy bluff:

“ ‘Unquestionably, the code may have weaknesses and defects; it may need some revamping before acceptance if the interests of all the States are to be guarded; but, on the other hand, the document is not too absolutely and hopelessly pernicious a thing its more bitter critics profess to consider it and should NOT BE THROWN OVERBOARD WITHOUT ANY SORT OF CONSIDERATION.’ ”

“From our point of view, the whole business is founded upon false premises. As such we believe it *should* be ‘thrown overboard.’ ”

We venture the assertion that it will meet the worst defeat that befel any proposition that ever came before the General Grand Chapter.

The first page of the proceedings contains an engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion EDGAR B. ELLIS was elected Grand High Priest, and M. E. Companion GEORGE A. KIES was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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## DELAWARE.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Delaware held their Fifty-third Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Wilmington, on Wednesday, January 19, 1921.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Full Form* at four o'clock P. M. by the Grand High Priest. Three Grand Officers were absent. Ten Past Grand High Priests and the representatives of all the Chapters of the Jurisdiction, four in number.

The Grand High Priest read his address. It is a complete statement of his actions, presented in a business-like manner. Nothing of great importance was presented for his consideration.

He visited all the Chapters of the Jurisdiction. In every instance he was courteously received.

Accompanied by several Grand Officers and a number of Past Grand High Priests he attended the One hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of our Grand Chapter. He says no effort was spared to make this visit an enjoyable one. That is Pennsylvania's method of doing things.

He speaks of his visitations to the several Chapters in the following language:

"During my visitations to the various Chapters, official and otherwise, I noted that the Chapters were either ignorant of the fact or were paying no attention to the resolution of 1897 relative to the instruction of Candidates, which resolution I immediately called to the attention of the various High Priests.

"In this connection I would like to present to this Convocation a resolution to work in conjunction with the above:

"*Resolved*, that a period of one lunar month shall elapse between the conferring of each Captular Degree upon each Candidate, with the exception of the Past Master Degree, which may be conferred in conjunction with either the Mark Master or Most Excellent Master Degrees."



Haven't any doubt he would find ignorance in the subordinate Chapters. His resolution, if combined with the instruction of candidates, would change conditions materially.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a small balance on hand.

The Grand Secretary's report shows the membership, on January 19, 1921, to be nineteen hundred and ten (1910), an increase during the year of one hundred and fifty (150).

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was presented by Companion THOMAS J. DAY. As usual, it is a good one. We receive brief notice.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest is on the first page.

M. E. Companion W. HARRY LEWIS was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion STUART J. HOM was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia held a special Convocation in the Masonic Temple, on Monday, February 28, 1920.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at one o'clock P. M., by M. E. Companion FRANK F. MAJOR,

Grand High Priest. All but two Grand Officers were present. Eleven Past Grand High Priests were present.

The Grand High Priest announced the purpose of the meeting was to attend the funeral of Past Grand High Priest GEORGE CLARKE OBER.

After the appointment of various committees the Grand Chapter, in company with the Grand Lodge and the Grand Commandery, proceeded to the residence of the deceased, where religious service was conducted. The remains were then taken in charge by the Grand Lodge, and conveyed to the Congressional Cemetery, where Grand Lodge's burial service was performed by the Grand Master. Grand Chapter returned to Masonic Temple and was closed in *Ample Form*.

The Fifty-fourth Annual Convocation was held in Masonic Temple, on Wednesday, February 9, 1921.

Most Excellent Companion FRANK F. MAJOR, Grand High Priest, opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M., with all Grand Officers present, twelve Past Grand High Priests and representatives of all subordinate Chapters of the Jurisdiction.

Several distinguished visitors were received with Grand Honors and welcomed.

The Grand High Priest was so seriously indisposed that he was compelled to relinquish his station

to the Deputy Grand High Priest, who occupied it until the Grand Chapter closed.

The address of the Grand High Priest was read by R. E. Companion ROE FULKERSON, Grand Scribe. He refers to the prosperity of the year and the causes as follows:

“The past year has been a wonderful prosperous one in Capitular Masonry. The accessions to our ranks are without precedent, our records showing that we have exalted 926 and that the net gain is 803. Companions, this record was not accomplished because I was your Grand High Priest or because of the work of any one person, but it was accomplished by the united efforts of the officers and companions of the constituent Chapters working in harmony with the Grand Officers, and each one doing his part in the splendid achievement. We should now redouble our assiduity and strive to make the coming year even more prosperous than the past.”

He made two decisions. Both of importance to his Grand Chapter.

He issued a number of dispensations which virtually set aside the provisions of the Constitution, not unusual in these days, but the number is diminishing.

He approves the idea of collective test ballot. We regard the introduction of the collective ballot as dangerous, and likely to threaten the peace and harmony of the fraternity. It is true balloting consumes time. Better ballot on applicants at stated meetings and do the work at extra meetings, and thus avoid a departure from the established custom, etc.

He received numerous invitations to Masonic gatherings, among them being one to our One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary. Of it he says:



“On November 28 and 29 I attended the celebration of the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, held in Philadelphia. While I have been present at many Masonic functions, this was one of the finest that I have ever attended.”

He issued a dispensation for the formation of a new Chapter. His action was approved and the warrant prayed for granted.

A resolution was offered and adopted, “That the Companions who represent the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia at the next Convocation of the General Grand Chapter be directed to vote against the enlargement of power which the General Grand Chapter is seeking.”

The Grand Treasurer’s report shows a balance on hand of four thousand, two hundred and fifty-two and 18/100 (\$4,252.18) dollars.

The Grand Secretary’s report shows the membership, December 31, 1920, to be five thousand, two hundred and fifty-nine (5259), a gain of eight hundred and three (803) during the year.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was prepared by Past Grand High Priest WILLIAM W. JERMAINE. It is a very able report. He is a worthy successor to R. E. Companion ROE FULKERSON. In reviewing Pennsylvania he devotes considerable space to the making a Royal Arch Mason at sight. The Brother thus honored being Governor WILLIAM C. SPROUL, in Pennsylvania. We claim that one of the prerogatives of the Grand Master is

to make Masons at sight. It has been exercised frequently by Grand Masters. One Grand Master during his two years service thus honored five persons, three of whom became prominent in Capitular Masonry. The prerogative has not been so frequently exercised, and when so exercised, it has been upon deserving Brothers. I, however, endorse the opinion of the Chairman: "I am in favor of a very sparing use of the prerogative."

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest will be found on the first page.

M. E. Companion JOSEPH H. MILANS was elected Grand High Priest, and ARVINE W. JOHNSTON was elected Grand Secretary. The Grand High Priest was installed.

W. B. M.

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## ENGLAND.

The proceedings of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England for the Quarterly Convocations of November 3, 1920, and February 2, 1921, have been received.

M. E. Companion Right Honorable Lord AMPHILL, G. C. S. I. G. G. S. E. Pro. First Grand Principal, opened each Grand Convocation in ancient and solemn form. The minutes of each Convocation were read and confirmed.

The Pro. First Grand Principal announced the change in the Royal Arch regulations proceeding for the appointment of a Second Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies, and that the Most Excellent First Grand Principal had been pleased to appoint Companion A. L. F. Cook, Fourth Grand Standard Bearer, to be Second Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies and Companion P. MAURICE BEACHCROFT to the vacancy caused by the promotion of Companion A. L. F. Cook.

The report of the Committee on General Purposes for the quarter ending September 30, 1920, which was received and entered on the minutes, showing a cash balance of £357 9s. 5d.

The Committee also reported that they had received eleven petitions for new Chapters and five petitions from Chapters to change their place of meeting. The report was adopted, consequently the petitions for new Chapters and the change in the meeting place of five Chapters were approved.

At the Quarterly Convocation, held February 2, 1921, a message from the Most Excellent First Grand Principal was received authorizing the conferring upon Companions of ability who have rendered service to the Order the rank of Past Provincial or District Grand Officers.

E. Companion A. L. F. Cook, who was not present at the last Quarterly Convocation, was invested as



Second Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies by the Most Excellent Provincial First Grand Principal.

The report of the Committee on General Purposes for the quarter ending December 31, 1920, was received and entered on the minutes, showing a balance on hand at that date of £639 13s. 7d.

They report of the death of a large number of distinguished Grand Officers who have been conspicuous by their devotion to Royal Arch Masonry.

They recommended the petition for fifteen new Chapters and the request for the change in place of meeting of ten Chapters. The report and recommendations were adopted.

The failure to receive the reports of the proceedings of the Quarterly Convocation of May and August, 1921, have prevented us from making a complete report.

W. B. M.

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## ENGLAND AND WALES.

The proceedings of the Quarterly Convocations of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and the Colonies and Dependencies of the British Crown for August 31 and November 30, 1920, and March 1, 1921, have been received.

The Quarterly Convocation of August 31, 1920, was opened in *Ample Form* by R. W. Right Honorable

the EARL OF STRADBROKE, C. V. O. C. B., Provincial Grand Master of the Throne. The usual number of Grand Lodge Officers were present, together with a large number of present and Past Grand Officers, Past Masters, etc. This was the first time that the Provincial Grand Master had attended a meeting of Grand Lodge in six years, having been absent in the service of his country. He was re-elected, and the following resolution was adopted by acclamation:

“That the Members of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons, assembled this day in Quarterly Communication, desire to offer to M. W. Brother Col. the Earl of STRADBROKE, C.B., C.V.O., their hearty congratulations on his appointment as Governor of the State of Victoria, and to express their sincere wish for his success and happiness in the honorable and responsible position to which H. M. The King has been pleased to call him.”

This appointment necessarily takes him from his home, and deprives the Grand Lodge of his services as Grand Master.

The report of the General Board was read and entered on the minutes.

The report shows that during the quarter, June 30, 1920, warrants were issued for four new Mark Lodges, and also that warrants were granted for four Royal Ark Mariner Lodges.

The M. W. Grand Master announced a number of appointments.

The Fifty-second Anniversary Festival of the Fund of Benevolence was held on Thursday, June 24, 1920. V. W. Brother Rev. EDWARD ST. JOHN

MOORE, Deputy Provincial Grand Master for Nottinghamshire, presided. The sum of £10,050 was announced as having been paid and promised. The amount disbursed by the Benevolent Branch was large.

The Quarterly Convocation on November 30, 1920, was opened in form, with R. W. FREDERICK CLUNS, Provincial Grand Master for West Yorkshire, as Grand Master on the Throne. All Grand offices were filled. The Grand Stewards for the year and many Past Stewards and other Past Grand Officers were present.

The minutes were duly confirmed.

Then followed the nomination of his Royal Highness the Duke of CONNAUGHT AND STRATHEARN as Grand Master for the ensuing year.

W. Brother AUBRY RANSFORD COLLETT was nominated for the ensuing year.

The report of the General Board for quarter ending September 30, 1920, was received and entered on the minutes.

During the quarter warrants were granted for four new Mark Lodges. Warrants were also granted for four Royal Ark Mariner Lodges.

They also reported with great regret the death of A. W. Brother The Lord EGERTON OF TATTON, Deputy Grand Master, who, as Provincial Grand Master, pre-



sided over the Province of Cheshire for twenty-six years, and other distinguished Masons.

The Annuity, Educational and Benevolent Branches reports were examined by the Committee. The Benevolent Branch was again very liberal in their disbursements, which were largely increased.

A message of condolence was sent to the Deputy Grand Master, he having lost a son. Also a message of God speed to the Colony of Victoria.

The Quarterly Convocation of March 1, 1921, was presided over by R. W. Sir R. V. VASSAR SMITH, Bart., Deputy Grand Master of the Throne.

The first business after opening was the election of the M. W. Grand Master for the ensuing year, in the person of H. R. H. The Duke of CONNAUGHT AND STRATHEARN. He was then proclaimed; then followed the election of Grand Treasurer.

The report of the General Board for quarter ending December 31, 1920, was received and entered on the minutes. During the quarter warrants were granted for five new Mark Lodges; warrants were also granted for four Royal Ark Mariner Lodges.

A number of appointments of the Most Worshipful Grand Master were announced.

The death of V. W. Brother BENJAMIN VARLEY, Grand Treasurer, and other distinguished Brethren were announced.

There being no further business, Grand Lodge was closed in due form.

After the close of each Quarterly Communication the Brethren joined in singing the National Anthem.

W. B. M.

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## FLORIDA.

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida assembled in its Seventy-fifth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Jacksonville, at 10 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, May 17, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451.

All Grand Officers were present; also sixteen Past Grand High Priests, including M. E. Companion L. C. MASSEY, Pennsylvania's Grand Representative.

M. E. Companion HENRY O. SNOW, Grand High Priest, in his address, called attention to "the duty of each Royal Arch Mason, when he knows a worthy Brother to point out to him the advantages of becoming a member of our organization."

He reported the assignments for Grand Visitations to be made by the Throne officers. They seem not to have covered their field, if their reports are any criterion, and the following from R. E. Companion R. J. KISHPAUGH's report is not clear to us:

"The work was most impressive upon the persons of the candidates and I trust that their minds were improved through the exercises in quick thinking which their initiation made necessary."

The customary method of conferring a sublime degree does not seem to have been followed. This may have been an unusual occasion, as R. E. Companion ELY P. HUBBELL, Grand Scribe, in referring to his visitations says:

“There appeared to be a uniform desire to confer the degrees in accordance with the ritual, and also to impress the candidates with the beauty, solemnity and moral force of the lessons sought to be portrayed.”

The Grand High Priest acknowledged receipt of invitation to attend our meeting on November 29, 1920, but which he declined, being unable to be present.

On recommendation of the Committee on Dispositions and By-laws, two new charters were granted.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence reaffirmed the regulation

“that Chapters shall not depart from the work in conferring the degrees, especially the Royal Arch degree, by interpolating scenes calculated to excite mirth and discomfort to its candidates, which regulations prohibit absolutely all such future occurrences upon penalty of forfeiture of charter.”

The Rituals of the General Grand Chapter are not in use in this Grand Jurisdiction.

The fraternal correspondence is over the signature of R. E. Companion ELY P. HUBBELL, Grand Scribe, who signs for the Committee, and of whose comments we quote:



“It is pleasing to note the growing disposition among Grand Chapters to look with disfavor upon the action of those misguided Companions who seem to think the Royal Arch Degree is conducted for no other purpose than to enjoy a horse laugh.”

Pennsylvania is fraternally reviewed.

JOHN L. HALL, Grand High Priest, Jacksonville.

WILBER P. WEBSTER, Grand Secretary, Jacksonville.

H. F. B.

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### GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.

The Thirty-eighth Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America convened at Masonic Temple, in the City of Asheville, North Carolina, beginning on Wednesday, September 28, 1921, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Previous to the opening ceremonies, the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of North Carolina met in Special Convocation, for the purpose of receiving and welcoming the officers and members of the General Grand Chapter. M. E. Grand High Priest JOHN J. PHOENIX welcomed the General Grand Chapter Officers, and M. E. Companion ALEXANDER B. ANDREWS, P. G. H. P. of North Carolina, delivered the official address of welcome, a most pleasing and instructive address. He referred to North Carolina's population of 99 $\frac{1}{4}$  per cent. native born Americans; to the conferring of the Royal Arch De-

gree in North Carolina in 1780; to the "guiding star" of Capitular Masonry in North Carolina, "Service to Mankind," and to what has been done in that direction.

The General Grand High Priest acknowledged the gracious welcome, and Companion HENRY DE WITT HAMILTON, General Grand Principal Sojourner, responded on behalf of the General Grand Chapter.

All General Grand Chapter Officers were in attendance except Companion HENRY BANKS, General Grand Captain of the Host, on account of whose death, Companion GUSTAV A. EITEL, officiated in his place.

The General Grand High Priest, Companion FREDERICK W. CRAIG, delivered a learned address, of great interest.

He stated that "through causes which are debatable and upon which perfect agreement seems not to be had, the growth in the number of adherents to our Masonic institution in its various divisions has, during the triennial period since our last Convocation, been unprecedented."

He reported the constitution of Cristobal Chapter, No. 2, of Cristobal, Canal Zone, on April 22, 1919.

He reported issuing dispensations, one in January, 1919, for a new Chapter at Anchorage, Alaska, and another in January, 1920, to remove Sante Fe Chapter, No. 2, from Isle of Pines to Neuva Gerona, W. I.

He made certain decisions, some of which he reported. He referred to various official visitations, among them, to our Grand Chapter, on the occasion of our celebrating our One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary, of which he says:

“I received a very cordial invitation to attend and to speak at the banquet following the exercises of the day. I regarded the occasion as of importance to Capitular Masonry and although Pennsylvania is not a part of our General Grand Chapter Jurisdiction, I accepted the invitation, and after the event felt well repaid for the visit. From the very first greeting I felt that I was among friends, and, as time passed, every courtesy and attention was shown to me as the executive head of the General Grand Chapter.”

He recommended the endorsement of the Towner-Sterling Bill providing for a National Department of Education. Companion CHARLES ARTHUR CONOVER reported in detail on the affairs of the General Grand Chapter. During the past triennial period the membership under the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter has increased to 606,802. The moneys received and accounted for by the General Grand Secretary totalled \$26,470.19.

The report of the Committee on Memorials is unusual, and but for lack of space we would quote at length this very fine memoriam.

On recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, a charter was granted to Anchorage Chapter, No. 3, Alaska. Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Chapter of British Columbia, but such recognition was withheld from the Grand Chapter of Queensland.



The Royal Arch Degree was exemplified as set forth in the new ritual.

The Committee on Revision of Constitution submitted a Supplemental Report, action upon which, on motion of Companion FRANCIS E. WHITE, Past Grand High Priest of Nebraska, was indefinitely postponed by a vote of 143 to 94.

A charter was refused the Grand Chapter of Oregon, which is acting under a so-called "dispensation" of the General Grand Chapter, which holds that it has no authority to grant Charters.

The Report of the Committee on Credentials showed all Grand Chapters under the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter represented except Delaware, Nevada and Wyoming.

The report of Companion HARRY W. HARVEY, General Grand Custodian of the Work, contains many excellent thoughts regarding Capitular Work, and we quote therefrom:

"Some criticism has arisen because the—have been eliminated from the Royal Arch Degree, and that members will not attend if there is no fun. The Committee pleads guilty, and wishes merely to say that if a Chapter needs 'horse play,' or some means to perpetrate jokes on or have fun with the candidate, then the sooner its charter is arrested the better it will be for Royal Arch Masonry."

There is no place in any Masonic ritual for the introduction of a circus or jest at the expense of the candidate. If the clean ceremony of the ritual, which

is intended to teach and illustrate great truths, does not appeal to the officers of a Chapter, then a mistake has been made in their election.

The degrees in all Masonry are intended to elevate the intellectual and moral character of those who take them, and therefore should be conferred in the most dignified manner, and nothing should be said or done which would in the least embarrass, humiliate or be painful to any candidate.

The 1924 Triennial Meeting of the General Grand Chapter will be held in Portland, Me.

A resolution suggesting fostering the Order of De Molay was adopted.

An excellent engraved picture of the retiring General Grand High Priest, Companion FREDERICK W. CRAIG, is contained in the Proceedings. Pictures of Companions HENRY BANKS and JOSEPH EDWARD DYAS are also contained therein, as well as Memorials of M. E. Companions EDWARD B. SPENCER and J. HENRY WILLIAMS.

Dr. WILLIAM FREDERICK KUHN, 1325 Rialto Building, Kansas City, Missouri, General Grand High Priest.

CHARLES ARTHUR CONOVER, 95 West Chicago Street, Coldwater, Michigan, General Grand Secretary.

H. F. B.

## GEORGIA.

The Ninety-ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Georgia was held in the Convention Hall of Dempsey Hotel, Macon, on Wednesday, April 27, 1921, A. I. 2451, at 10 o'clock A. M., and was in session during the days of Wednesday, the 27th, and Thursday, the 28th, of April, 1921.

Most Excellent Grand High Priest JOSEPH C. GREENFIELD, having been called into that "house not made with hands," was not officiating at this Convocation, Most Excellent Companion WELBY C. JORDAN, Grand King, acting as Grand High Priest. We extend our sympathies.

As "Death loves a shining mark," it not only summoned that great Mason, M. E. Companion JOSEPH C. GREENFIELD, but also Past Grand High Priest HENRY BANKS, and other prominent Masonic lights of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Charters were granted to five new Chapters.

The Acting Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion WELBY C. JORDAN, saw fit to grant three special dispensations to receive and ballot upon petitions at one and the same Convocation.

The "noble work" of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was commended by the Acting Grand High Priest. He reported that



this "Grand Chapter has steadily advanced in all material well-being," and suggested a most timely thought when he said: "In these times of depression in the commercial world, distraction and confusion in the social order, and religious indifference in the spiritual realm, we cannot do better than pause in the rush of life. Let us think of our duty as Masons."

We note with pleasure that arrangements are being made by this Grand Chapter for the celebration of its centennial, in 1922, which event will likely be a memorable one in Georgia Capitular Masonry.

The full report of Companion E. A. McHAN is very interesting in that it reflects the zealous attention of this Grand Chapter, through its Lecturer, to develop the welfare of the Grand Chapter, its subordinate Chapters and the membership. Companion McHAN is also Grand Secretary and is an indefatigable worker who obtains satisfactory results, but with whom we personally take exception in his use of the term "higher degrees of Masonry" when he refers to the Capitular degrees, since the symbolism, in our humble opinion, as portrayed in Ancient Craft Masonry, is one story, and is not complete until an initiate has received the Royal Arch degree.

Companion W. G. MEALOR paid a glowing tribute to that illustrious Mason, JOSEPH C. GREENFIELD, who was called from active service in Masonry, and praised the action of the Grand Chapter in endowing a bed in his memory in a Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children.

A picture of Past Grand High Priest JOSEPH C. GREENFIELD graces the proceedings as a frontispiece.

Pages to the fraternal dead, tabular statements and statistical tables and the proceedings of the annual meeting of the Order of High Priests follow the record of the proceedings of the Grand Chapter.

The report on foreign correspondence was again submitted by Companion the Rev. CHARLES L. BASS, who reviewed forty-one Grand Jurisdictions, in which Pennsylvania, 1919, was included.

WELBY C. JORDAN, Grand High Priest, Athens.

E. A. McHAN, Grand Secretary, Macon.

H. F. B.

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## IDAHO.

The Thirteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Idaho convened in the Masonic Temple, City of Coeur d'Alene, on Friday, the nineteenth day of May, A. D. 1921, at 9.30 o'clock, A. M.

It is gratifying to note the intense interest of the Grand Officers and the Representatives from the constituent Chapters. All Grand Officers and five Past Grand High Priests were present, and all constituent Chapters were represented at this Convocation.

Hon. GEORGE F. WEEKS, a Companion of Coeur d'Alene Chapter, welcomed the Grand Chapter, and



Companion HARRY P. WOLF announced that an entertainment programme had been prepared by Companions of Coeur d'Alene.

Prosperity continues in Capitular Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction, and the Grand High Priest, LEWIS W. ENSIGN, directed attention to "the necessity of assisting our subordinate Chapters to instill into the hearts of their members a knowledge of the true principles of Capitular Masonry."

As is customary in this Grand Jurisdiction, the Grand Representatives appeared before the altar and were welcomed by the Grand High Priest, who also directed their attention to their duties and communicated his well wishes, through them, to the High Priests of sister Jurisdictions.

The Grand High Priest, in his address, referred to the meeting in Madison Square Garden, where German and Irish sympathizers were moaning because Germany must pay, and because Ireland isn't big enough to lick England, and the action of American veterans, members of the Legion, adopting the resolution that "On this solemn night, filled with the inspiration born of memories of gallant men, we have come to pledge ourselves that this nation shall yet become a land of one tongue, one ideal, one flag," and called upon "all Companion Royal Arch Masons to use their influence wherever it may avail to promote the spirit of true Americanism as expressed in this resolution."



We note, with much interest, the efforts of M. E. Companion WILLIAM WALLIN in the establishment of a Masonic Charities Association. We trust you will not be "weary in well doing" and we wish you every success.

The report of Companion EDWARD SMITH, Grand Treasurer, reflected a substantial increase in the cash balance of this Grand Jurisdiction, as did also the report of the efficient new Grand Secretary, Companion PERRY C. MARSHALL, Past Grand High Priest and Grand Lecturer.

Companion HENRY LEIMBERGER reported the activities directed to the enlightenment of Capitular officers and the satisfactory results. He recommended engaging Assistant Grand Lecturers.

Companion GEORGE E. KNEPPER, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented his report, in which Pennsylvania is reviewed. He seems to have been greatly misinformed as to the resolutions dealing with our One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary, stating that the Chairman of the Finance Committee offered a resolution setting aside \$500 to defray the expenses, but that the resolution adopted appropriated \$100. The correct appropriation was \$10,000.

He also seems to be uninformed regarding the prerogatives of Pennsylvania Grand High Priests, especially in the conferring of the degrees at sight.

Companion H. P. GLINDEMAN, P. H. P., presented the report of the Committee on Necrology, filled with beautiful sentiments. "We realize that God knows which keys to touch to draw out the sweetest harmony of the soul and with simple faith we exclaim 'Thy will be done.' "

ERNEST J. OSTRANDER, M. E. Grand High Priest, Twin Falls.

PERRY C. MARSHALL, Grand Secretary, Boise.

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## ILLINOIS.

The Seventy-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois convened in the grand ballroom of the La Salle Hotel, City of Chicago, on Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of October, 1920, A. I. 2450, at 10 o'clock A. M.

All Grand Officers were in attendance except the Deputy Grand High Priest, whose station was filled by M. E. Companion EVERETT R. TURNBULL, P. G. H. P., who is the Correspondent of this Grand Jurisdiction.

M. E. Grand High Priest Companion FRANK SPENCE presented an exhaustive report. Speaking of his desire to promote the best interests of the Grand Chapter as a whole, rather than any single member, we are pleased to quote:

“I believe the laws of the Order are complete and supreme, and are as considerate of the rights of every member as they can justly be, so it should be the earnest desire of the membership to hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may. No organization can long endure where each individual is a law unto himself, but if we carefully follow the rules and designs laid down by our Grand Chapter laws, it is impossible that we can materially err.”

The inspection of Chapters is divided between twenty-seven Inspectors, whom the Grand High Priest addressed with special reference to their official duties, and indicated that “the office of Inspector is one of distinction, and contemplates your best efforts in the education and assistance of your Chapters.”

Inspection reports are personally examined by the Grand High Priest, who follows up same with a letter as the reports may justify, thus bringing the Grand High Priest into close touch with his membership.

The Grand Chapter Schools held at five different places, and in session three days at each place, under the direction of a Board of five Grand Examiners, encouraged by the attendance of Grand Officers, suggest an admirable system for diffusing Capitular knowledge and creating enthusiasm in Capitular work.

He reported much work performed by Illinois Chapters in conferring degrees upon applicants of other Jurisdictions, and in turn other Grand Jurisdictions caused similar courtesies to be extended to Illinois Chapters.



He granted numerous dispensations, but wisely limited to well-defined justifiable causes.

R. E. Companion GEORGE W. CURTISS, Grand Treasurer, presented his report, showing total assets of the Grand Chapter as \$61,208.14.

R. E. Companion JAMES E. JEFFERS reported a year of "unprecedented prosperity." The total membership in this Jurisdiction on June 30, 1920, was 62,185.

The Committee on Ritual recommended that no action concerning the new Ritual of the General Grand Chapter be taken at this Grand Convocation, and on motion report was received and adopted.

Companion FREDERICK DUNTON BUTLER, Excellent Grand Chaplain, delivered an oration, calling attention to the "tremendous advances" in the affairs of the world, and mentioned especially Self-control, Loyalty and Faith in God as a guide for our conduct.

Companion FRANK F. COLLINS presented the report of the Committee on Obituaries, in which a most glowing tribute is paid to that illustrious Mason, Past Grand High Priest JOSEPH EDWARD DYAS, who served not only as Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Illinois, but also as General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States of America. He said of him:

"He knew how to serve and how to bestow happiness on others. The test of life—the test of worth—is service. He knew how to live, and he lived nobly. His words were oft a lamp unto our feet and his life was a benediction."

Among those of other Jurisdictions who have passed on to experience "The Great Adventure," is mentioned our beloved Past Grand High Priest, J. HENRY WILLIAMS.

This virile Grand Jurisdiction's proceedings are brimful of beautiful and inspiring sentiments expressed by the several Companions, whether in prayer, committee reports, orations or otherwise, and evidences the exceptional mentality of the Companions directing the affairs of Capitular Masonry in the State of Illinois. The perusal of the record of their Convocation was a rare pleasure. We question, however, the address of Companion GEORGE B. WELLS, the Representative of Illinois near the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, but the transposition of Philadelphia and Montreal, we take to be the answer.

The picture of M. E. Companion ANDREW D. WEBB graces the proceedings as a frontispiece.

ANDREW D. WEBB, Grand High Priest, Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

JAMES E. JEFFERS, Grand Secretary, Springfield, Illinois.

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## INDIANA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Indiana assembled in Seventy-fifth Annual Convocation in Masonic Temple, in the City of In-

dianapolis, at 2 o'clock P. M., on Wednesday, the twentieth day of October, A. D. 1920, A. I. 2450.

All Grand Officers except four were in attendance.

M. E. Companion FRED H. POCOCK, Grand High Priest, in his address, referred to an increase of 3306, in the number of Indiana Companions, or a total membership on January 1, 1920, of 25,856; he called attention to the death, on August 1, 1920, of M. E. Companion CALVIN W. PRATHER, the Senior Past Grand High Priest of Indiana, and Grand Secretary for nineteen years. Among the distinguished dead of other Jurisdictions he notes our beloved M. E. Companion J. HENRY WILLIAMS, Past Grand High Priest. He appointed one Grand Representative, and recommended the appointment of seven to represent other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Chapter of Indiana. He reported the appointment of M. E. Companion ROBERT A. WOODS as Grand Secretary, vice M. E. Companion CALVIN W. PRATHER, deceased. He approved numerous amendments to by-laws. He issued several dispensations, one of which was for a new Chapter, at Corydon, Harrison County. He reported on several visitations, but we do not follow this statement regarding his visit to East Chicago Chapter, No. 141:

“This is one of the live Chapters of the Jurisdiction, and an invitation to meet with them should never be declined.”

In Pennsylvania we rejoice with the live Chapters, but visit the inactive Chapters more frequently, to



encourage and enthuse the membership to more zealous labor.

The report of R. E. VESTAL W. WOODWARD, Grand Treasurer, showed total assets of \$17,939.35.

M. E. Companion JOHN J. GLENDENING, Grand Inspector, presented his twelfth annual report, in which he reports "the condition of Capitular Masonry is better than it has ever been before." However, in speaking of attendance at Convocations, we find Indiana no different from conditions in many other Jurisdictions, since he says:

"Unless something unusual is happening and a 'feed' is provided, very few of the members, aside from the officers, are present."

On recommendation of Committee on Appropriations for Masonic Home and Acacia Fraternity, \$500 was allowed the former and \$100 to the latter.

The Committee on Distinguished Dead of other Jurisdictions says:

"Companion J. HENRY WILLIAMS, Past Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania, 1905-6, died October 24, 1919. Born October 13, 1856, in England. He was courteous in demeanor, honest in thought, purpose and act, of sturdy integrity and possessed of that staunch manliness which won the admiration of his Companions, and which secured him the suffrages of his fellow citizens."

This Grand Chapter celebrated its Seventy-fifth Anniversary at this Convocation, and the addresses of the several Past Grand High Priests reflected much Masonic information, largely, however, of a reminiscent, local character.

The annual Capitular review is over the signature of M. E. Companion ROBERT A. WOODS, Past Grand High Priest, and a learned Masonic scholar, but who, nevertheless, severely criticizes Past Grand High Priest DAVIS for the exercise of prerogatives which Grand High Priests in Pennsylvania enjoy with the consent of the governed. Under such circumstances, the writer does not grasp a reasonable justification for the criticism.

M. E. Companion FRED H. POCKOCK retired as a Past Grand High Priest at the age of 37, a veritable fountain of Masonic usefulness. His picture, and that of his successor, M. E. Companion THOMAS F. SPINK, graces the proceedings.

M. E. THOMAS F. SPINK, Washington, Grand High Priest.

R. E. ROBERT A. WOODS, Princeton, Grand Secretary.

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## IOWA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Iowa convened in its Sixty-seventh Annual Convocation, in the Masonic Temple, Ames, Iowa, October 14, 1920, at 9 o'clock A. M.

All Grand Officers were present, also the following distinguished visitors: Companion ANDREW H. CONN, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Royal and Select

Masters of Iowa; Right Eminent Sir WILLIAM H. NORRIS, Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U. S. of A., and Right Eminent Sir GEORGE A. RIEMCKE, Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Iowa, and Companion FREDERICK W. CRAIG, Most Excellent General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the U. S. of A.

M. E. Grand High Priest CHARLES C. HUNT, in his annual address, refers to the increased membership and says: "The real and vital growth of the Order is etherial, intangible and spiritual." He intended to visit every Chapter during his term of office, but while he failed to accomplish this, he made an excellent effort and his visitations must have been greatly beneficial to the Companions.

In company with the General Grand High Priest, he visited the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma. He also attended the second annual meeting of the Masonic Service Association of the United States.

The Committee on Necrology noted the death of our beloved Past Grand High Priest, J. HENRY WILLIAMS, on October 24, 1919.

Two charters were granted on recommendation of the Committee on Charters under dispensation.

Fraternal recognition of the Grand Chapter of Queensland was withheld.



A Board of Custodians of the Work, consisting of District Custodians and their deputies, hold Schools of Instruction in the subordinate Chapters, each of which shall be visited annually.

The statistical records and lists contain much information, among which we note the fact that there are twenty-two living Past Grand High Priests in this Grand Jurisdiction. In Memoriam pages give a place to our deceased Past Grand High Priest, J. HENRY WILLIAMS.

The report on correspondence is by M. E. Companion EDWARD M. WILLARD, P. G. H. P., who fraternally reviews Pennsylvania, 1919, but does not seem to realize that Pennsylvania Grand High Priests have the prerogative to make Royal Arch Masons at sight, and that such authority has never been abused.

CHARLES C. SHRADER, M. E. Grand High Priest,  
Iowa City.

ORVIS F. GRAVES, R. E. Grand Secretary, Harlan.  
H. F. B.

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## IRELAND.

The report of the Grand Registrar for 1920 records the death of that staunch and noted Mason, V. E. HENRY E. FLAVELLE, who was the Grand Registrar of this Grand Jurisdiction from 1898 until his death, in June, 1920. His picture appears in the report, and

presents us with an idea of the personality of a distinguished Mason whose loss will be sadly missed by his numerous friends.

M. E. The Lord MUSKERRY, Grand King, writes that "last year shows an improvement on that of the year before," but "the report from the District Grand Registrar of Munster is not quite as good as we would all wish."

The income of this Grand Jurisdiction exceeded that of all previous years.

M. E. THOMAS W. KINAHAN, M. A., a Past Grand High Priest, passed away during the year.

Thirteen new warrants were granted during the year.

M. E. W. REDFERN KELLY, Grand First Principal of Antrim, writes:

"Brethren of Symbolic or Craft Freemasonry are doubtless now becoming more enlightened, as to the value and utility of Royal Arch Masonry; and as to the fact that only in the degree of 'Holy Royal Arch' is to be found the really essential complement of the three preceding Degrees of Symbolic Ancient Masonry."

The zeal of our Companions in Ireland appears in the report of M. E. W. J. THRELFALL. He writes, "Many of these officers have to come long distances, and considering the difficulties they have to contend with in traveling at the present time, this attention to their duties is all the more creditable."

We are glad to learn from the report of M. E. Dr. W. M. RUSSELL, Past Grand Superintendent of Royal Arch Masonry in South Africa, that since the termination of the war "work has been gradually resumed and satisfactory progress is now being made."

The Grand Treasurer's report is gratifying. Last year we found but nineteen members stricken off the roll by subordinate Chapters for non-payment of dues; this year but eight,—a truly wonderful showing.

Professor W. E. THRIFT, Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

HENRY C. SHELLARD, Very Excellent Grand Registrar, Freemasons' Hall, Dublin.

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## KANSAS.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kansas convened in the auditorium of the Scottish Rite Temple, Wichita, Kansas, on Monday, February 14, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451, at 3 P. M. in its Fifty-sixth Convocation.

Two Grand Officers were absent. M. E. Companion JOHN W. NEILSON, General Grand Master of the Second Vail of the General Grand Chapter, was present, and M. E. Companion HAL B. DOWNING, Grand High Priest of Oklahoma, was also in attendance.



The most pleasing personality of M. E. Grand High Priest, Companion JOSEPH D. FELL, is reflected in the proceedings. He acknowledged, in his address, the invitation to be present at our One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary, and we are more than sorry that pressure of business and lack of time prevented his being with us.

He was kept busy issuing special dispensations, mostly "to make pilgrimages" and stated "in several cases where the circumstances seemed to warrant it, the fees were remitted."

Numerous courtesies were granted and requested relating to the conferring of degrees.

Glowing tribute was again paid to that "never failing source of Masonic information," R. E. Companion ALBERT K. WILSON, the Grand Secretary.

The M. E. Grand Treasurer, Companion AARON H. CONNETT, reported a cash balance of \$13,183.43 in the Charity Fund, a cash balance of \$1582.16 and a bond account of \$21,000.

"Grave errors" in thirty-seven Secretaries' reports would seem to indicate carelessness or inefficiency on the part of many Kansas scribes.

The net membership in this State grew during the past year from 13,460 to 16,249.

A new charter was granted to Bucklin Chapter, U. D., on recommendation of the Committee on Chartered Chapters and Chapters under dispensation.

The Committee on Jurisprudence refused to approve a recommendation of the Grand High Priest that a candidate be required to present himself within a limited time.

M. E. Companion CORONA H. BRIGGS, Past Grand High Priest of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Missouri, was presented at the second day's session, and delivered a "magnificent and inspiring address."

The Kansas delegates to the General Grand Chapter were directed to vote against all sections of the Constitution that propose the assumption of absolute and sovereign powers.

Statistical tables and much other information appears in the proceedings, as we noted at length last year.

The memoriam pages include space dedicated to our lamented M. E. Companion Past Grand High Priest J. HENRY WILLIAMS.

The Most Excellent Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood assembled in the Auditorium of the Scottish Rite Temple in Wichita, Kansas, on Tuesday, February 15, 1921, at 3 o'clock.

R. E. Companion ALBERT K. WILSON, the Grand Secretary, was greatly missed at this convocation be-

cause of illness. He was re-elected and re-named as Chairman of the Correspondence Committee. He fraternally reviewed our 1919 proceedings.

M. E. CHARLES G. WEST, Grand High Priest, Concordia.

R. E. ALBERT K. WILSON, Grand Secretary, Topeka.

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## KENTUCKY.

The Grand Chapter of Kentucky, Royal Arch Masons, held its One Hundred and Third Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, Louisville, commencing October 19, 1920, A. I. 2450, and was opened in *Ample Form* on the Royal Arch Degree at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

All Grand Officers were present as were also twenty out of twenty-one Past Grand High Priests, a notable assemblage.

M. E. Grand High Priest SAM K. VEACH delivered a lengthy, interesting address, reviewing an active year in Kentucky Capitular Masonry, "of intelligent, courageous and consecrated citizens."

He reported the past year "the most prosperous in the history of this Grand Body." The membership increased 2448. Fraternal visitations by the Grand



High Priest to subordinate Chapters were denied to him because of illness, death and other conditions.

Three chartered Chapters were set to work. He refused all requests to receive or ballot on petitions or to confer degrees out of time, and says regarding the law on the subject: "Its operation the past year has oftener than once demonstrated its wise provisions."

The R. E. Grand Treasurer, Companion FRANK H. JOHNSON, reported a cash balance of \$9014.06 and investments of \$29,000.

The very excellent work of the Educational Committee is reflected in the report of its Treasurer, Companion S. P. BROWNING. He reported "results—beyond our expectations in the good which has been done the children whom we are assisting." The resources during the past year increased from \$51,111.40 to \$81,037.86.

The report of the Committee on Inspection shows "that Capitular Masonry in Kentucky is in a most flourishing condition." This is evidenced throughout the proceedings.

Past Grand High Priest GEORGE A. LEWIS, and Pennsylvania's Representative to Kentucky Grand Chapter, presented the report of the Committee on Necrology, from which we learn that "none of our official family or permanent members have knocked for admission to the Sanctum Sanctorum on High, and the seat of no loved one remains vacant forever."

After admonitions to the living Companions, he said:

“He cannot die who truly lives,  
For virtue has immortal breath,  
Which blossoms into life again and finds  
Perfectness in its death.

“If the seed be perfect the harvest is sure;  
If the fountain be sweet the waters are pure;  
If the present be right the answer is plain;  
If a man dieth he liveth again.”

The genial personality of M. E. Grand High Priest JAMES F. WINN is disclosed by his picture, the frontispiece to the proceedings. The minutes thereof are followed by pages dedicated in memory of departed craftsmen, statistical tables, lists of Grand Representatives, Grand Secretaries, Chapters and the returns of subordinate Chapters, furnishing names of officers and members and other information.

The “doings” of forty-five Grand Chapters, including Pennsylvania, 1919, are reviewed by Companion WILLIAM WHITLOCK CLARKE, Past High Priest, who is the Committee on “Doings of Grand Chapters.”

JAMES F. WINN, Winchester, Grand High Priest.

G. ALLISON HOLLAND, Lexington, Grand Secretary.

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## LOUISIANA.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Louisiana was convened in the Masonic Temple, New Orleans, on February 15,



1921, at 12 o'clock M., in its Seventy-fourth Annual Grand Convocation, with all the Grand Officers in their respective stations and places; also with ten Past Grand High Priests in attendance.

Most Excellent Grand High Priest J. W. ARMSTRONG, in addressing his Grand Chapter, stated the net gain in membership in this Grand Jurisdiction as 723, or "about equal to the past three years combined," but why stop at having but fifty per cent. of the Masons work in the quarries of wisdom?

The messenger of death claimed two members of the official family and three score from the Jurisdiction.

The Grand High Priest, as some of his predecessors, was able to make but few visits to constituent Chapters. He granted eight dispensations, of which three were "to hold public installation of its officers."

The report of M. E. Companion H. F. GRIMM, Grand Treasurer, shows a healthy gain in assets, which amount to \$21,418.52.

R. E. Companion JOHN A. DAVILLA, Grand Secretary, reported three Chapters constituted under charter and three instituted under dispensation. Commissions were received for six Grand Representatives, one being for JOSEPH DAWIDOFF, of Arcadia, as the Representative of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of Louisiana. Six commissions were also issued to Companions to represent Louisiana near other Grand Chapters.



The Grand Chapter of British Columbia was recognized, and an interchange of Representatives was tendered.

It was decided "that from and including the next Annual Grand Convocation that the reception of Grand Representatives be made a special order for the second day."

An examiner of the proceedings is greeted with the priestly picture of Most Excellent Grand High Priest B. B. PURSER, which graces the proceedings.

Annual returns of the subordinate Chapters follow the minutes of the Proceedings and list the officers and members of the subordinate Chapters, with other information concerning them. These are followed by statistical tables, lists of Grand Secretaries, Representatives, other official lists, pages dedicated in memory of the dead, and the report on Foreign Correspondence, in which Pennsylvania is fraternally reviewed.

B. B. PURSER, Grand High Priest, Amite.

JOHN A. DAVILLA, Grand Secretary, New Orleans.

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### MAINE.

The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine met in its Ninety-sixth Annual Convocation in Masonic Temple, at Portland, on Tuesday evening, May 3, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451, at 7 o'clock.

All Grand Officers, 110 Representatives, fourteen of the seventeen living Past Grand High Priests, fourteen other permanent members and forty-four Representatives of other Grand Chapters, including M. E. Past Grand High Priest FRANKLIN R. REDLON, representing Pennsylvania, were in attendance.

Upon opening the proceedings we are greeted by FRED C. CHALMERS, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, in picture and biography. In his address he referred to the very large increase in membership, and expressed a trust "that the rush of work has not caused any of the Chapters to depart from the usual dignity in conferring the degrees, and that due caution has been observed in obtaining candidates, as quality, and not quantity, will do more to uphold the time-honored principles of our institution."

He granted numerous dispensations, but consistently refused to permit balloting at special convocations. He made a number of inspections, and his findings must have been most gratifying to him as Grand High Priest of Maine. He spoke of one line of officers "which has no weak spots," of a Secretary having "the finest method for keeping a record," and of the work generally as being performed "in an excellent manner."

The reports of the inspecting officers all show a healthy Capitular condition in Maine, and in the report of R. E. Companion GEORGE H. BANGS, D. D., Grand High Priest, we find "that Chapter Masonry

is beginning to be appreciated for itself, and not as a means of gaining further advancement.”

The recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee to instruct the Representatives in the General Grand Chapter “to vote against the proposed Constitution as a whole, and against any section or amendment thereof which may in any way abridge the independence and sovereignty now enjoyed by this Grand Chapter,” was adopted.

The Committee on Doings of Grand Officers observed “the several dispensations to permit Chapters to go to towns other than named in their charters, but within their Jurisdictions, and while such permission is a prerogative of the Grand High Priest, we wish to advise against the extension of such practice.”

On recommendation of the Finance Committee, the General Grand Chapter was invited to hold its next meeting in Portland, Me.

The matter of the Centennial Observance of the Grand Chapter of Maine was referred to a special committee of three Companions, with power to act.

Past Grand High Priest Companion THOMAS H. BODGE presented the Fraternal Correspondence report, in which Pennsylvania, 1919, is fraternally reviewed. He was re-appointed as the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.



The Council of the Order of High Priesthood met at 8 P. M., May 4, 1921. Twenty-six Companions were accepted.

The proceedings contain very full information regarding Capitular Masonry in Maine and considerable of general interest, as more fully noted in our last review.

L. ELWOOD JONES, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Winthrop.

CHARLES B. DAVIS, Right Excellent Grand Secretary, Portland.

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### MARYLAND, 1920.

The Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Baltimore, on Thursday, November 18, 1920, at 4.30 o'clock, P. M.

The picture of the Grand High Priest for 1921, M. E. Companion L. DORSEY GASSAWAY, graces the proceedings as a frontispiece.

M. E. Grand High Priest CHARLES C. HOMER, JR., in his address, reported the naming of Grand Inspectors, not only for Baltimore City but for each subordinate Chapter, whose interest and activity during the year caused him to recommend the adoption of a provision instructing the Grand High Priest to ap-

point Grand Inspectors for each of the Chapters of the State. This recommendation was favorably reported upon by the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers and adopted. A resolution was also adopted providing for mileage and per diem for Grand Inspectors, for attendance at the Convocations of the Grand Chapter and also for actual expenses incurred in visitations to the Chapter or Chapters under their supervision.

The Grand High Priest, during the year 1920, was kept busy issuing dispensations, mostly to change time or place of meeting, the necessity for some of which we do not quite appreciate.

The Grand Lecturer, Companion WARREN S. SEIP, reported that but one Chapter had not "measured up." Such a condition must, indeed, be pleasing, and we extend our congratulations.

The reports of the Treasurer, Secretary and Committee on Accounts show a healthy financial condition.

The minutes of the Annual Convocation are followed by a historical sketch of Most Excellent Companion LOUIS DORSEY GASSAWAY, by a list of the officers and permanent members of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, by lists of Representatives of the Grand Chapter of Maryland near other Grand Chapters and of other Grand Chapters near the Grand Chapter of Maryland; by a roster of the officers and members of

subordinate Chapters, and other information regarding them.

Memorial pages are set aside in the proceedings, General Grand Chapter Officers are listed, Standing Resolutions and other data of mostly local import are set forth, as well as the minutes of the Annual Convocation of the Order of the High Priesthood.

Companion Rev. HENRY BRANCH, D. D., continues as Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. He fraternally reviewed Pennsylvania, and mentions our having passed Maryland in our report. This is especially regrettable, as it is not the first occurrence, but, as stated by last year's reviewer, it is our loss.

M. E. L. DORSEY GASSAWAY, Grand High Priest.

M. E. GUSTAV A. EITEL, Grand Secretary.

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## MASSACHUSETTS.

The One Hundred and Twenty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held in Ionic Hall, Masonic Temple, Boston, Tuesday, December 7, 1920.

The morning session was opened at 9.30 o'clock and the evening session at 7 o'clock.

All the Grand Officers were present at both sessions. At the morning session seventy-seven Chap-



ters were represented and sixty were represented at the evening session.

The Grand High Priest made a very fine and interesting address, of which I quote the opening paragraphs:

“In the several visits to Chapters I have made during the past year, the first words addressed to me from the East have been those of welcome. It seems therefore eminently fitting and proper that in return for the honors conferred, I should now indulge in the pleasure of extending to you one and all a cordial and fraternal welcome to this our One Hundred and Twenty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter; congratulate you on the success that has attended your efforts during the year and express my gratification that so many Companions are present to confer together for the promotion of the best interests of Capitular Masonry throughout the whole Jurisdiction.

“These words I now most heartily offer you, Companions, and assure you that such advice and council as you may give pertaining to the good of the Order will be gladly received and carefully considered.

“It is my privilege and pleasure to inform you that while the same scrupulous care is apparently being exercised in the selection and acceptance of candidates, increased enthusiasm on the part of the Companions has been instrumental in causing large accessions in Chapter membership—a growth much more marked than that of any previous year. But best of all, Companions, loyalty, peace, harmony and prosperity prevail throughout the whole Grand Jurisdiction of Massachusetts.”

The Grand High Priest made several visits, as did his Deputies, and found all Chapters of the Jurisdiction harmonious and prosperous.

The Grand Chapter held Quarterly Convocations on March 9, 1920, June 8, 1920, September 7, 1920, and a Special Convocation, June 29, 1920, with all the Grand Officers present at each Convocation.

The subordinate Chapters were well represented at each of the above Convocations.

The Special Convocation was held for the purpose of constituting Swampscott Royal Arch Chapter.

The Grand High Priest approved quite a number of requests for dispensations, three of which were for new Chapters.

At each one of the Quarterly Convocations an interesting and instructive address was made.

The following is very interesting:

“Companions, please pardon me if in the brief historical sketch which follows a few words appear of a personal nature. They cannot very well be avoided.

“In the year 1785 a compact colony several hundred strong, composed largely of seafaring people from Nantucket, Martha’s Vineyard, New Bedford and places adjacent, sailed up the Hudson River and founded the City of Hudson, New York. Among the number were many Brethren of the Masonic Fraternity who promptly took action to obtain a charter from the Grand Lodge of New York, stating in the words of their petition, ‘That they were at such a distance from their own Lodges that it was “imposibil” for some and difficult for all, to pay due attendance, whereby they were deprived of the advantages of a well-ordered Lodge.’

“Their petition was granted and the Lodge was chartered in 1787. Six years later, in 1793, they organized a ‘Masters Mark Lodge’ in which they conferred the Royal Arch Degree under warrant of Hudson’s Master’s Lodge, as was the custom in the Lodges from which they hailed. This Chapter five years later was one of nine Chapters that founded the General Grand Chapter at Hartford, Connecticut, in 1798. It was also a charter member of the New York State Grand Chapter the same year.

“There is an unwritten law in Hudson Chapter that there shall be but three Honorary Members of the Chapter at the same time, the three during the past few years being M. E. Companion HENRY DEWITT HAMILTON, Past Grand High Priest of New York and at present General Grand Principal Sojourner; M. E. Companion CHARLES C. HUNT, Past Grand High Priest of New York, and M. E. Companion MARSHALL F. HEMINGWAY, Past Grand High Priest of New York, and who at the time of his death was Grand Lecturer.

“The passing away of this lamented Most Excellent Companion created a vacancy on the list of Honorary Members of Hudson Royal Arch Chapter.



“Here begins the personal allusion to which reference was above made.

“It seems that several years after the constitution of Hudson Chapter, a young lad living near the city of Hudson and within the jurisdiction of the said Chapter, unable longer to endure the excitement attending hard work on a farm, made up his mind that he would travel towards the East. By so doing he naturally, of course, sought residence in Framingham, Massachusetts.

“Many years followed before the light of a new and never dreamed of true East was revealed to him. While never ambitious for Masonic preferment, honors which came to him as a reward for a faithful service were deeply appreciated and accepted.

“Then came a day when most unexpectedly and for some reason never reasonably explained to him, he found himself Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter.

“On October 22, 1920, in Hudson Chapter, it was suggested that since a vacancy existed in the Honorary Membership of the Chapter, that the present time afforded an opportunity to make due acknowledgment of the debt the Chapter owed to the Jurisdiction of Massachusetts, and at the same time express their fraternal interest in the success of one originally of their own Jurisdiction and of their appreciation of the distinguished position he holds in Capitular Masonry as Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts. The following resolution was then unanimously adopted: ‘That M. E. Companion JOHN J. VAN VALKENBURGH, Grand High Priest of the State of Massachusetts, be hereby made an Honorary Member of Hudson Chapter, No. 6, Royal Arch Masons.’

“Companions, these facts have been related to you at this time not only in order that there may appear on our Records the fraternal tribute which the Companions of Hudson Chapter in their thoughtful consideration have paid to this Grand Jurisdiction whence came the Companions who were instrumental in forming their Chapter one hundred and twenty-seven years ago, but also that I may from the East of this Grand Chapter express my deep appreciation of the honor conferred upon the Grand High Priest by the Companions of his Old Home Chapter.”

The following will be of interest:

“The following distinguished Companions were separately received and given a cordial welcome by the Grand High Priest:

“R. E. HARRY G. POLLARD, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.



“M. I. DEAN K. WEBSTER, Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts.

“M. P. GEORGE A. NEWELL, General Grand Master of the General Grand Council of the U. S. A.

“M. E. JEROME L. CHENEY, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New York.

“M. W. ARTHUR D. PRINCE, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

“Each of whom in appropriate language expressed his personal pleasure in being present and the greetings and felicitations of the body he represented.”

I quote the following interesting item:

“The Grand High Priest requested E. RAYMOND T. SEWALL, Grand Lecturer, to assume the East and proceed with the Exemplification of the Degrees. E. Companion SEWALL, on assuming the East, expressed his pleasure in seeing so large an attendance at such an early hour, and requested the officers for the Mark Degree to assume their stations.

“The work and lectures of the Mark, Past and Most Excellent Degrees were rendered in the morning, and the Royal Arch Degree at the afternoon session. E. Companion GEORGE W. BLINN, Grand Lecturer, presided in the Mark and Most Excellent Degrees, and E. Companion RAYMOND T. SEWALL, Grand Lecturer, presided in the Past and Royal Arch Degrees.”

The Grand Secretary reports the following:

Membership, August 31, 1919 .....	28,012
Membership, August 31, 1920 .....	31,445
A net gain for the year of .....	3,433
Net gain last year .....	1,212

The Grand Treasurer reports the following:

Balance December 10, 1919 .....	\$11,543 55
Receipts during the year .....	28,192 72
Total .....	\$39,736 27
Expenses during the year .....	23,734 05
Cash on hand .....	16,002 22
Total .....	\$39,736 27

An exceptionally fine showing.

The Trustees report investments of \$63,007.12, including bank deposits.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by FREDERICK F. COMEE, P. G. H. P. He reviews forty-nine Jurisdictions. Pennsylvania is fraternally reviewed.

A paragraph in his report I quote:

“This appears a little strange in Massachusetts. ‘Decided that smoking in the body of the open Chapter is strictly prohibited.’ I have never seen smoking in any open Masonic body in this State, and personally would as soon think of smoking in church as in a Masonic meeting regularly open for work or business. It is, however, purely a matter of education or custom.”

We infer from his remarks that he is under the impression that Pennsylvania Masons smoke in open Chapter according to custom or education. We are glad to inform our good Companion that Pennsylvania Masons *do not* smoke in any open Masonic body. The decision of the High Priest was in answer to a question from a Companion asking if it was allowable.

The election resulted in election of M. E. Companion JOHN J. VAN VALKENBURGH, Grand High Priest; R. E. Companion FREDERICK T. COMEE, Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

## MICHIGAN.

The Seventy-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Michigan was called to order in Masonic Temple, in the City of Lansing, on Tuesday afternoon, May 17, 1921, at 1.30 o'clock, by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

R. E. Grand Commander R. GUY BROUNSON, of the Grand Commandery of Michigan; R. E. Companion RICHARD H. SPENCER, Grand Second Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada, and M. E. RAY V. DENSLOW, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Missouri, were in attendance.

All Grand Officers and twelve Past Grand High Priests were present. The total attendance was 244.

Companion M. E. Grand High Priest CHARLES JOHN GRAY, in his address, referred to the spirit, energy and vim of the membership in Michigan, which now is 36,130.

During the year Michigan conferred the degrees for other Jurisdictions on forty-seven occasions, and other bodies complied with forty-four of its requests.

The Grand High Priest granted numerous special dispensations, most to receive and ballot upon a petition at a regular meeting upon notice to the membership. One to hold an annual (regular) meeting on a different date because "Shrine meeting conflicting" to us is startling. We thought individuals sometimes



subordinated the Chapter as a means to an end, but this action by a Grand High Priest is, to say the least, novel.

We also note one change of date because of a conflict with Consistory meeting. Also questionable in our judgment.

The Grand High Priest reported forty-two official visits and much other work performed, evidencing his activity on behalf of his Grand Jurisdiction. He also visited the Grand Jurisdiction of Canada. He devoted seventy-two days exclusively to the work of his Grand Chapter. He sounded a clarion call to benevolence activity.

Companion GEORGE W. LEEDLE, P. G. H. P., Grand Lecturer, in the performance of his duties, traveled 8,720 miles and made 102 visits. He reported much indicating activity and interest in conferring the degrees in an impressive manner.

Companion R. E. Grand Secretary CHARLES A. CONOVER, as the Committee on Correspondence, reported and referred to the discontinuance of the old form of "Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence," and mentioned the favorable and indeed sometimes flattering comment which its substitute, last year, "A Treatise on Selection and Registration of Masons' Marks with the traditions, customs and laws relating to the degree of Mark Master" evoked.

The proceedings this year contains "A Treatise on the Building and Completion of King Solomon's

Temple and the Ceremonies Attending its Dedication;" also several selected articles which bear upon this general subject. These we have read with much interest and profit, and we expect to use them in spreading Masonic light. We are not prepared to say, however, that the "stuffing" was not good, but, admit that the substitutes are very valuable and feel certain, that if printing cost does not prohibit, the "stuffing" with the turkey would be the best.

On the evening of the first day of the Convocation 1700 Masons assembled in Prudden Auditorium to witness an exemplification of the Order of DeMolay for Boys.

On recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee the representatives in the General Grand Chapter were instructed to oppose and vote against any and all legislation that will in any way interfere with the rights and prerogatives of this Grand Chapter.

FRANK P. WILCOX, Grand High Priest, Detroit.

CHARLES A. CONOVER, Grand Secretary, Coldwater.

H. F. B.

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### MINNESOTA, 1920.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota was held in St. Paul, October 12, 1920. All Grand Officers present; sixty-four out of seventy-six subordi-



nate Chapters represented. Pennsylvania's Grand Representative right on the job.

The Grand High Priest, after opening Grand Chapter, appointed the various committees and then presented his annual address. Expressing regret at his inability to visit and look after the Chapters as he would like to have done, he says:

"I believe that the visits of the Grand Officers, and particularly the Grand High Priest, creates more interest and does more good than any other thing that can be done, and, believing so, I would have liked to visit every Chapter in the Jurisdiction, but for two reasons was unable to do so. One was sickness and death in my family, and the other was not enough money appropriated by the Grand Chapter to do so if I had had the time. . . . But I want to say the great loss was mine, as, wherever I visited the Companions have taken a great deal of trouble to plan and get the Companions to come out and do honor, not so much to me, as to the office which I hold."

The first reason commands our sympathy for the Grand High Priest in his affliction. The second reason should not exist. We read in almost every report of the lack of interest in the *Chapter*, and then further on in the proceedings we see a few hundred dollars appropriated for Grand High Priest's expenses. This shows that Grand Chapter itself does not regard the work seriously. Instructors in the work, Grand Lecturers, etc., are all well enough in their way, and no doubt very useful. The Companions, however, like to see and meet the real head of Capitular Masonry in their Jurisdiction. They want to feel that the Grand High Priest has an interest in them and in their particular Chapter. They cannot all attend Grand Chapter, but they can attend



their own Chapter and to there meet their Grand High Priest gives them a new interest in the work. No Grand High Priest should assume the office who cannot devote a very considerable time to the work of personal visitation of subordinate Chapters. No Grand Chapter should hamper its Grand High Priest by limiting his expense account so that he is unable to make such visitations without heavy pecuniary loss to himself.

The Grand High Priest visited fourteen Chapters, and much good resulted from his visitations. One dispensation was granted for a new Chapter. No decisions are reported.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a balance on hand at the beginning of the year of \$7,955.68. Received from the Grand Secretary \$10,464.16. Total \$18,419.84. Disbursements, \$5,844.64. Balance on hand, \$12,575.20. Invested funds, \$17,000. Total amount, \$29,575.20. *And they allowed their Grand High Priest one hundred and fifty dollars for expenses.*

The Grand Secretary's report shows Exaltations, 1,359; joined, 100; restored, 41; total, 1,500. Losses, 351; net gain, 1,149. Total membership 12,085.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion IRVING TODD. He briefly reviews the different Jurisdictions. Pennsylvania is briefly noted, and note made of the fact that Minnesota was omitted in our review last year. True, but the explanation

lies in the fact that the Companion to whom the lot fell to review Minnesota was seriously ill, and before we were aware of the condition it was necessary to go to press without his review. This year the present writer is doing his part of the work as a sub, the Companion being still unable to do any work whatever. We will try and see that one of the best Jurisdictions in the United States is not missed again.

M. E. Companion JOHN W. HAYS, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion JOHN FISHEL, Grand Secretary.

“Since the above was written Companion MURPHEY has answered the final summons and on December 8, with the solemn ceremonies of the Craft, he was laid to rest. Of him it may well be said, ‘Faithful to the end.’ ”

J. M. C.

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## MISSISSIPPI.

The Seventy-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Mississippi was held in the City of Jackson, on the twenty-fourth day of February, 1921.

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion MARTIN BALL, opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form*. All but two of the Grand Officers present. Forty-eight Chapters represented and eighteen not represented.

The address of the Grand High Priest is thoughtful, conscientious and deserving of most favorable comment. We quote his opening paragraphs:



“With gladness of heart I greet you in this—the seventy-third—Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi. Our God has dealt very kindly with us during the year just gone, and we are heartily grateful for the loving providence which has brooded over us, and watched the interests of the Companions and their families. I bring to you no words of discouragement as to the work done throughout the State. Many of the Chapters have made commendable progress. Our membership has increased, the finances of the Grand Chapter are in good condition.

“For the general activities and progress of this Grand Chapter we are largely indebted to our Grand Lecturer and Grand Secretary. They have been untiring in their efforts during the entire year. To each of them I am due much gratitude for courtesies and kindness rendered, as well as to Deputy Grand High Priest YAWN. It would have been impossible to have accomplished whatever of success has attended my labors among the Companions without their assistance. The thanks of the Capitular Masonry are due these excellent Companions and their office forces for arduous work well performed.

“With the crash that has come to the outside world and felt in our ranks of Masonry, we are beginning to feel now the impulse of the awakening spirit and the broadening vision of the times. The Chapter year closes with aroused interest in Capitular Masonry and noticeable concern in those things that make for the advancement and perfection in Masonic life, as well as a significant increase in the numerical strength of the Craft.”

He states there have been no points of law or decisions of any importance for his consideration. It seems, therefore, that harmony prevails throughout the Jurisdiction.

On account of his physical condition and severe sickness in his family, very few visits were made during the year. In those he did visit, he reports that a spirit of good fellowship prevailed and all in very good working order. He was most cordially received.

He granted quite a number of dispensations to subordinate Chapters, nearly all for the purpose of balloting out of time on application for the Chapter



degrees, they presenting valid reasons for making the requests, except one. He states that he is of the opinion that a dispensation should not be granted to a Chapter to confer degrees in order to ballot out of time on applications to hasten them on to other degrees.

We heartily endorse these sentiments.

Charters were signed for two new Chapters and authorized two Past High Priests of subordinate Chapters to institute them, which they did March 15.

The proceedings contain nearly two pages of "Our Fraternal Dead" of other Jurisdictions and of their own Jurisdiction.

I will quote one paragraph in his report of the dead.

"These all died in the faith and now rest in peace. The Lion of the Tribe of Judah will some day by His omnipotent power raise them from the dust and we live in hope of meeting them in the Great Beyond."

It may be of interest to the members of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania to mention a recommendation he made in their Grand Chapter, *viz.*, "I recommend that for this session the mileage of the Companions attending be placed at six cents and per diem be \$3.50." He gives as his reason, the stringent financial condition.

This recommendation was, on motion, adopted by the Finance Committee.

In conclusion he states:

“It was indeed an honor to act as your official head. I thank you for that honor, but beyond that I thank you for the beautiful spirit in which it was conferred. Our Companions seem to face the future with confidence and a determination to do things. The powers of darkness are waging a heartless warfare against our glorious Order. Let us be strong and of good courage, for with our eyes fixed upon the goal to which we are pressing, success will crown our efforts. Those on the watchtowers have sounded the warning and if we are true to our principles, if we have met and mastered the evil within us, we are, like David, the sweet singer of Israel, ready to go forth against the Goliath of iniquity that is exhibiting himself boldly, and by the grace of God we shall rise to the glorious haven of rest and enjoy the presence of Him who loved us and gave himself for us.

“I have in my feeble way endeavored to discharge the duties of the office of Grand High Priest with the sole purpose of promoting the welfare of Capitular Masonry in Mississippi. I have made some mistakes, I know. If anything has been accomplished, it has not been by my efforts alone, but with the assistance and support so generously given me by those with whom I have been so pleasantly associated during the past year. And I shall soon surrender into far abler hands the gavel given to me a year ago.”

The report of Most Excellent Companion W. H. CARTER, Grand Lecturer, is very interesting, but for want of space (it being quite lengthy), will not quote it in full.

Briefly he states he has visited all Chapters in the Jurisdiction but three. Conferred the degrees on two hundred and fifty-nine candidates. The conferring of degrees was used to instruct the team workers, and so to exemplify the ritual as to give them a clear-cut understanding of how to confer each part of it.

The following is exceedingly interesting:

“I am also confident that nearly all the Chapters have a growing appreciation of Royal Arch Masonry. Their conception of its symbolism and of its teachings is becoming what it ought to be. But there are still



a few Chapters who seem to think that the Royal Arch Degree is a sort of Shrine—that the main reason for its existence is to afford its members an opportunity to have a ‘big time’ with the ‘poor blind candidates’; that its greatest enjoyment consists in making it a ‘baby Shrine’; and their pitiable, ignorant and contemptible understanding of the Degree is limited to a series of ludicrous, school-boyish pranks that sensible, dignified men should be ashamed to perpetuate anywhere, much less upon a blind-folded candidate in a Masonic Institution. They take the money of their friends on pretense of giving in return its worth in Masonic development, and then go to great trouble and vigorous exercise to give them for these fees a locally fabricated ‘side degree,’ deceiving them at its end by telling them they have been ‘exalted to the sublime degree of Royal Arch Mason.’ I know these Chapters, but when I am on my official visit to them the work is done as circumspectly as I could wish. I am allowed to put on the work as it should be done, and they agree that that is the way to do it, but in their regular work they persist in perpetrating the same old fraud, paying no attention to my instruction, and not having in mind the teachings of the Degree at all. Such profanation of the opportunity to teach the great fundamental truths in building the Temple of our second lives must be eliminated from the ritualistic work in every Chapter in Mississippi. I wonder if charges will have yet to be brought before this Grand Chapter against such Chapters. Warning is hereby given that, unless such practice is stopped, this step is inevitable.’’

The finances of the Grand Chapter are in good condition. They appropriated \$6,000 to the Masonic Home, \$3,000 to be used in repairing and improving the Harry Howard Hospital and \$3,000 to complete the improvements of the grounds.

The report of Foreign Correspondence is by OLIVER LEE MCKAY, P. G. H. P. It is quite lengthy, exceedingly interesting and of great value to the Fraternity. Pennsylvania is courteously reviewed. Mention is made of the death of our beloved Companion, J. HENRY WILLIAMS, P. G. H. P.

The Grand Secretary reports present membership is 5,889.



An engraving of the elected M. E. Grand High Priest is on first page of the proceedings.

M. E. Companion HENRY CLAY YAWN, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion OLIVER LEE MCKAY, P. G. H. P., Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

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## MISSOURI.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri held their Seventy-fifth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Sedalia, on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 20 and 21, 1921. Grand Chapter was opened at ten o'clock A. M., by M. E. Companion HERBERT W. POWERS, Grand High Priest, with all Grand Officers present.

Companion GEORGE F. BOOTHE, on behalf of the Mayor, welcomed the Grand Chapter to the City of Sedalia.

A number of distinguished visitors were presented and welcomed. They received the Grand Honors.

The hero of the day was M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN, General Deputy Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. He was introduced, received the Grand Honors, was conducted to the East, and seated with the Companions. He is one of the great men of the Masonic Fraternity.

The annual address of the Grand High Priest was presented. It is quite lengthy. Much space, however, is taken up with requests for various purposes, such as courtesy, dispensations, and visitations. A large number of dispensations to meet in Lodge Halls at other places were granted. One dispensation was refused, the application having been made by telegram. Dispensations should never be granted except in regular manner, and there being good cause for such action.

He made sixty visitations, covering almost the entire State. His report in some instances is amusing. His introduction to his visitations is interesting.

“It has been my pleasure, as well as official duty to visit as many Chapters throughout the Jurisdiction as time, opportunity and a restricted expense account would permit. Having a desire to view our Capitular field through a personal lens and to satisfy a longing to meet and greet old friends and solicit the acquaintance of new ones, my travels have ushered me to many enjoyable places of temporary sojourn, extending from the Orient to the Occident of Missouri. Such rambles have taken me to the cotton fields of the Southeast. I have reviewed the cultivated acres of the Southwest where the golden grain sang a refrain of unalloyed prosperity. I have wandered about freely in the roomy precincts of Central Missouri where happiness and supreme contentment permeates the atmosphere. I have looked upon and within, the great metropolis of Western Missouri and could only exclaim, ‘Oh! Kansas City, if I forget Thee, let my right hand forget her cunning.’ I have journeyed to the North where fields of wheat and corn gladden the heart of the husbandman and gazed in wonderment upon the immensity of that hospitable section standing spell-bound as they showered upon me a royal welcome. Everywhere I have been overwhelmed with kindness.”

Among the visits made was one for a Christmas breakfast at the Masonic Home, at early dawn. He comments on it and we give part of his musings.



“On December 25, 1920, I was awakened from a dreamless sleep by the voice of our Grand Organist, who was striking the vocal cords of his anatomy in sombre tones to attract me from a comfortable couch to go with him to enjoy a Christmas breakfast at the Masonic Home. The hour was early, the atmosphere keen and bracing, the object a joyous one as we were to witness a Christmas celebration designed and arranged for the inmates of that noble institution. As we drove over the frosty streets my thoughts wandered back through the mists of time as outlined by ancient biblical history, stretching far into unnumbered years where countless generations of men had floundered through the maze of ignorance and superstition, before the sunrise of the Christian era.

“But the blessed hour did come when a strange light shown on the hills of Bethlehem, a morning star hung above a manger and the new day of intelligence broke. Not with the regal sweep and dazzling majesty of a sunrise in the desert, but slowly and faintly through clouds that warred to hide the golden lining of coming day. Centuries have passed since that night, when a Jew was born in a stable but the sun that rose then has known no setting. So on the birthday morn of Christianity our guests in that great home were mustered forth to imbibe the warmth and cheer that the good Masons of Missouri extend them yearly, through the offices of their representatives. The heart of each child was gladdened by some acceptable present, while the fading light of the old folks was fanned into a brighter glow by some thoughtful donor and thus was created a most welcome Yuletide morning. As I looked into those happy faces, I breathed a silent prayer that the breaking of the dawn in old Judea will be celebrated anew each year, brightened with many Masonic offerings, upon the altar of love. Surely there is nothing that finds a quicker pulsation in the great heart of the world than the conferring of human happiness.”

He made a visit to Chapter No. 53, and says the attendance was not in the least complimentary for such an occasion, the installation of officers, it being a public affair jointly with the White Shrine of Jerusalem. How can a Chapter hold a meeting with an organization that is not Masonic?

In visiting Chapter No. 2, chartered in 1838, he obtained some information that is interesting.

“Palmyra, No. 2, is an old organization, having withstood the ravages of time, and today while with locks whitened by the snows of yesterday, she



still preserves much of her youthful vigor. Chartered in 1838, by the General Grand Chapter, has done much to send an honorable name thundering down the corridors of time. I am informed that they had one High Priest that flourished the official gavel over No. 2 for a period of forty years, and I am inclined to the opinion that any organization which could survive under such trying conditions must truly be blessed with a patience beyond control. They have ancient relics other than the record of this Past High Priest, for only last year they celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the village. I was deeply impressed with the ancient grandeur of the place; its ageing inhabitants and ageing surroundings together convey a profound illusion of the long lapse of time, while the sorrows and misfortunes and humiliations of life beat upon this ancient encampment without pity or respect."

The surprise in the above is that the Chapter survived forty years' service of any one High Priest. Were there no ambitious youths among the membership who had aspirations?

The Masonic year was a strenuous one. The Grand High Priest was a busy man, devoting more time to Masonry than is usually done by a Grand High Priest, but his reward is sure. The interest of the officers in the work will be greatly increased, the membership will be frequent in their attendance in Chapter meetings; in fact, there will be enthusiasm in all subordinate Chapters.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a balance on hand, April 12, 1921, of thirty-two thousand, four hundred and sixty-nine and 40/100 (\$32,469.40) dollars, with eleven thousand, five hundred (\$11,500) dollars in Government Bonds.

The Grand Secretary's report is complete in every respect, in fact, it is a model report. It shows the

membership, December 31, 1920, twenty-five thousand, eight hundred and fourteen (25,814), a net gain of forty-seven hundred and seventeen (4,717) with one hundred and nine (109) subordinate Chapters. Missouri's future in the Masonic World is bright.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was prepared by Companion JOHN HENDERSON MILLER. It is a very able report. There are many things in the report that would be interesting to Pennsylvanians, but lack of space forbids their quotation. We receive two and one-half pages of courteous review.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest adorns the first page.

M. E. Companion BERT S. LEE was elected Grand High Priest. He was installed.

E. Companion ROBERT F. STEVENSON was re-elected Grand Secretary. He was not installed, having been installed at the time of his first election. We hold tenaciously that all elective officers must be installed after each election.

W. B. M.

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### NEBRASKA, 1920.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska held their Fifty-fourth Annual Communication in the City of Omaha, December 15, 1920.

A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was opened in *Full Form*, and, after prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand High Priest *declared* Grand Chapter opened for the transaction of business.

The Grand High Priest, in common with all other Grand High Priests for 1920, reports that the increase in membership has been beyond that of any previous year.

He reports five visitations and two schools of instruction held, which resulted in much good. One Chapter was actually brought to life by a visitation of the Grand High Priest, and is now doing good work. That is one of the duties, which in our humble judgment, should come first with the Grand High Priest—to visit, counsel with and encourage the weak Chapters. “The whole have no need of a physician, but they that are sick.” No decisions are reported. A number of routine dispensations granted and courtesies extended are reported. A number of inquiries were made with reference to the forming of new Chapters, but upon investigation the Grand High Priest did not deem it wise to issue any such dispensations. He complains that Grand Chapter has too many committees. We see that all these committees were appointed at the opening of Grand Chapter. Some of them, very important, such as Jurisprudence, Finance, etc., and are expected to report at the same meeting at which they are appointed. As the Grand Chapter is only in session



two days this does not give the Committees time to properly dispose of the matters referred to them. With us, in Pennsylvania, all standing Committees are appointed by the Grand High Priest immediately after his installation, and serve for the year.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts during the year, \$6,937.62, with a balance on hand at the end of the present year of \$7,700.11, a gain over last year of \$1,858.41.

From the abstract of Returns of the Grand Chapter it appears that there were 943 Exaltations last year; total membership, October 31, 1920, 6,890; net gain, 762.

No report on Foreign Correspondence.

We do not know whether Pennsylvania's Representative, Companion ROBERT W. MCGINNIS, was present or not.

M. E. LEWIS E. SMITH, Grand High Priest.

M. E. FRANCIS E. WHITE, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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## NEVADA.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nevada assembled in their Forty-eighth Annual Conference in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Reno, on Tuesday, June 7, 1921.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at ten o'clock A. M., by M. E. Companion GEORGE W. ROBINSON, Grand High Priest. Three Grand Officers were absent. Fourteen Past Grand High Priests and the Representatives of nine Chapters were present.

After honoring "Old Glory" by saluting it and singing the National Anthem, the Grand Master of Masons in Nevada was introduced, escorted to the East and given the honors due his station.

The Representatives of other Jurisdictions near the Grand Jurisdiction of Nevada were introduced and welcomed by Companion WILLIAM B. HARK.

Reno Chapter, No. 7, was again kind, and invited the members of the Grand Chapter to luncheon, which was accepted.

The Grand High Priest presented his address. It is quite lengthy and of much value to the members.

He made few visitations, due to ill health and the distances required to be traveled. We quote from his visitation to the oldest Chapter in the Jurisdiction, No. 1, Carson City.

"On the evening of December 28, 1920, it was my distinguished privilege to officially visit and install the officers-elect of Lewis Chapter, No. 1, of Carson City, our oldest Chapter. In company with Past Grand High Priests GEORGE GILLSON, PEARIS B. ELLIS, CHARLES G. RULISON and EDWARD C. PETERSON I was welcomed into this Chapter and received with all the honors due my station. The evening was one of pleasure, indeed, being a joint installation of the Blue Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter and Eastern Star, and concluded with a banquet served by the ladies of the Eastern Star, such as only these ladies can prepare."

We presume this was a public ceremony, or, perhaps, after the installation of the officers of the Lodge and Chapter, and then the good women of the Eastern Star united the dear Brethren and Companions to witness their installation. Better keep the so-called adjuncts entirely separate from any Masonic functions. With us it is impossible, and believe that time will demonstrate the wisdom of such action, and the good women of Pennsylvania will demonstrate their ability to conduct the affairs of the Eastern Star equal to any Jurisdiction.

Under the head "Conditions of the Craft," he gives several reasons for the lack of interest in Capitular Masonry. Any one of which would produce serious results, then he refers to a wider field for Masonry as follows:

"There is, however, a wider field for our endeavor than merely conferring degrees. In conferring degrees we are, after all, only making preparation for that work which should engage our attention. We should strive to educate not only those within our ranks, but those outside as well, to the end that we may all become better citizens of this home of true democracy—a land builded well and truly upon Masonic principles."

An elegant idea, but difficult to carry out.

In closing he leaves this thought with the Companions.

"All the symbolism of Capitular Masonry deals with some aspect of the building or ruins of King Solomon's Temple; in the Mark Master Degree we have an incident connected with the building of the Temple.

"In the Most Excellent Degree we see the Temple in the zenith of its glory, its ornamentation perfect, and approved by the manifestation of the Almighty.

"In the Royal Arch Degree we see the Temple in ruins; God's chosen people in their hour of discouragement, and yet animated by faith and



hope of the future that from the ruins another structure may arise wherein God may reveal Himself to His chosen people:

“Though Solomon’s Temple they tell us of old,  
Excelled in its marbles, its cedars and gold—  
Its Altars of incense, its tables of bread,  
Its Ark, where the light of the Presence was shed.  
A far nobler Temple each Mason may raise,  
In wisdom and strength to endure through all days;  
Of which Israel’s proud hill was the type of the plan,  
And this Temple so stately, so perfect, is man.  
How more precious than gold are Honor and Truth,  
With these let him build in the days of his youth;  
Its light of the Presence, sweet peace, may be there,  
Its Altars of incense—humility’s prayer;  
Its table of shew-bread—his gifts to the poor:—  
A Temple thus built, through all time shall endure;  
And to perfect the shrine, though no gems are a part,  
The bright ‘Holy of Holies’ be found in his heart.”

The Grand Treasurer’s report shows a balance on hand, January 7, 1921, of one thousand, two hundred and ninety-nine and 77/100 (\$1,299.77) dollars.

The Grand Secretary’s report shows the present membership to be five hundred and seventy-nine (579), an increase of seventeen during the year. Just the same as last year, not very encouraging, but there is a brighter future for them.

The several Committees made their reports. The Committee on Jurisprudence paid their respects to the new ritual of the Grand Chapter by saying but one Chapter barred it and left the New Constitution in the hands of their representatives.

R. E. Companion EDWARD D. VANDERLIETH presented the report of the Committee on Correspon-

dence. It is an excellent one, and contains much of importance. Last year he wondered why "Nevada" was passed. We endeavored to explain. Now we ask why Pennsylvania was overlooked, a cog slipped somewhere. We do find, however, that Pennsylvania is named among those reviewed. Hope for better next year.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest adorns the first page.

M. E. Companion HOSEA E. REID was elected Grand High Priest and R. E. Companion EDWARD D. VANDERLIETH was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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### NEW JERSEY, 1921.

The Sixty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Jersey was held in Trenton, May 11, 1921. All Grand Officers, sixteen Past Grand High Priests and representatives of forty of the forty-nine subordinate Chapters present. Pennsylvania was represented. The Grand High Priests of New York and Canada also present.

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion J. VREELAND HARING, in his address, says that Royal Arch Masonry was never so flourishing as at the present time. Dispensations were granted for five new Chapters, all of which are reported strong and

vigorous. He visited every Chapter in the Jurisdiction, including those under dispensation. He also visited the Grand Chapters of Pennsylvania, New York, Rhode Island and Massachusetts, and attended the meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He constituted two new Chapters, and disposed of a large amount of routine business. We note especially the visitation to *every* Chapter in the Jurisdiction, and the interchange of visits with surrounding Jurisdictions. This is one of the greatest services a Grand High Priest can render his Jurisdiction—to visit other Jurisdictions and bring back with him the ideas which he may there find. Of course, the first duty is to visit his own Chapters, giving counsel, admonition and reproof as the circumstances may indicate. But great good is being done every year by the interchange of visits between Jurisdictions.

Excellent addresses were made to the Grand Chapter by M. E. Companion HAMILTON, representing the General Grand Chapter; M. E. Companion WILLARD T. CHEVALIER, Grand High Priest of New York; M. E. Companion W. N. PONTON, Grand Z. of Canada, and M. E. Companion ROGERS, Past Grand High Priest of Rhode Island.

M. E. Companion CHEVALIER, speaking of the Royal Arch said:

“I often think we have our Lodges as our workshop. That is where we do our every-day Masonic work, our charity, our succor to our Brethren and their widows and orphans, our funeral ceremony. We do our every-day Masonic work in our Lodges and we come into the Chapter as the



Sanctum Sanctorum to gather about the altar of reverence and devotion and imbibe new strength to inspire us to go back into the work rooms and carry on our every-day Masonic work. This is the mission of Royal Arch Masonry, and God save us from ever introducing anything into our Masonic work in our Chapters that is not pitched in the key of reverence and devotion to that Great Name that we are pledged to hold sacred."

The Grand Treasurer's balance sheet shows receipts, \$8,686.33; disbursements, \$5,340.43; carried forward from 1920, \$5,280.73; net balance \$8,626.63. In addition to the above the Trustees' report shows permanent investments, \$6,385.46.

The Grand Secretary reports 2,679 Exaltations during the year, with a present membership, December 31, 1920, of 13,146, a net gain of 2,543.

There was a lengthy report of a special Committee appointed to consider the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter, which report ended with a resolution of "solemn protest against its adoption."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion HENRY S. HAINES. It is a very careful review of the doings of the Grand Chapters of the world for the past year.

In the introduction he says:

"We regretfully realize that there are many upon whose hearts the solemn lessons of the Chapter have left little impression, and to whom the glamour of the Cathedral or the barbaric splendor of the Mosque present more attraction and delight than the plain setting of the Tabernacle."

He thinks Connecticut made a mistake in authorizing a Chapter to hold a stated meeting on a date preceding that fixed by its by-laws, as that is beyond the powers of a Grand High Priest. Sound law, that. He does not approve smoking during the meeting of the Chapter. Personally we have never seen it practiced, and would be as much surprised to see some Companion light up in a meeting of the Chapter as we would at a church service. He is surprised that Indiana issued a dispensation to elect a High Priest to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of the High Priest and refusal of the King and Scribe to perform his duties. Well, all we have to say is that it would not have been a dispensation that Chapter and its officers would have received in Pennsylvania, but an order to appear with the Charter and explain, if they could, their direct violation of their obligation. The warrant of that Chapter should be arrested until the officers and members have enough interest in Capitular Masonry to perform their respective duties. Such Chapters are a hindrance to Royal Arch Masonry, and should not be allowed to cumber the ground.

M. E. Companion ALBERT LEON, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion PETER MCGILL, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

## NEW MEXICO, 1921.

The Twenty-third Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Mexico was held in Albuquerque, February 24, 1921. After opening Grand Chapter the Committee on Credentials reported sixteen chartered Chapters represented.

The Grand High Priest submits his annual report, showing two decisions, both negative, because of the Constitution. He recommends the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution providing for life membership on the payment of a minimum fee of fifty dollars, which recommendation was not agreed to. He made four official visitations to resuscitate dormant Chapters, and in this he seems to have been successful. He reports Capitular Masonry in New Mexico prosperous, the net growth during the year being 194.

The Grand Secretary's report shows Exaltations during the year, 229, with a present membership of 1,538.

No Correspondence report.

M. E. Companion J. SMITH LEA, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion ALPHEUS E. KEEN, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.



## NEW YORK, 1921.

The One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New York was held in the City of Albany, February 1, 1921.

Two hundred and ten Chapters represented, sixteen permanent members of Grand Chapter and a number of visitors. Pennsylvania's Grand Representative, JOHN B. MULLIN, was present. Also the Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania, M. E. JOSEPH E. QUINBY, accompanied by the Grand King, M. E. Companion JOHN M. CORE; the Grand Treasurer, M. E. Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., and the Grand Marshal, Companion A. P. KUNZIG. The Pennsylvania visitors, as well as those from Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Canada were royally entertained, and enjoyed every minute of their stay. (They know how to make you feel at home in New York.)

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion JEROME L. CHENEY, delivered his annual address. It comprises some fifty pages, and immediately after it was delivered, printed copies were furnished to all the members. We will not attempt to digest it for we could not do it justice. New York is a great Jurisdiction, and to simply report the work of a Grand High Priest for the year is no easy task.

Dispensations for four new Chapters were issued, and the Chapters set to work. One petition for a

dispensation for a new Chapter was returned for correction and did not again appear.

The Grand High Priest believes in fraternal visitations with other Grand Chapters, and during his term visited Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, and it was with keen regret that he was compelled to decline other invitations.

A large number of special dispensations were granted Chapters to hippodrome around the country conferring degrees. The Grand High Priest seems to have some misgivings on the subject. He says:

“Instances are frequent where Chapters have journeyed to the same place many times in the same year. To my mind, it cheapens the rite to convert the Chapter into a traveling degree mill running about the country to every place where candidates can be gathered.”

Well, we like the position assumed by the Grand High Priest of Ohio, who absolutely refused to countenance any such work.

Many waivers of jurisdiction were received by the Grand Chapter of New York, and properly acknowledged. Twelve of them were from Pennsylvania.

One decision, that where a member is suspended in his Chapter by reason of his suspension in his Blue Lodge he is automatically reinstated in his Chapter when restored to membership in his Lodge. Of course this decision is sound law, even though some Grand High Priests in other Jurisdictions hold differently.



Also decided that a Chapter could not receive a delegation of Knight Templars in uniform, and without aprons, and that it would be improper for officers to wear Knight Templar uniform while conferring degrees. Of course this decision is absolutely correct. But we wonder if the Sir Knights had obtained a dispensation from the Grand Commander of Knights Templar of New York to start out in Templar uniform on such a crusade. Our recollection of Templar law is that this would have gotten them into trouble with their Grand Commander.

The Grand High Priest is thoroughly convinced of the great value of official visitations. He says before they were instituted there was a large number of dormant Chapters, now there are practically none. He recommends District Deputy Grand High Priests, which is the natural way of doing the work. We would like to quote many things from his address, but we must "get along."

The Grand Treasurer reports resources after payment of all bills, of \$175,757.50. Receipts from Grand Secretary, \$31,073.42. Interest on bank deposits, \$1,015.80. Interest on investments, \$6,672.75. Total receipts, \$38,761.97, to which add balance on hand at the beginning of the year, \$21,851.97. Grand total, \$60,613.75. Well! Well! That is a lot of money. It might be just possible that a little more of it could have been spent to a good advantage. You know "there is that scattereth, and yet increaseth,



and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.”

The Grand Secretary's report shows Exaltations, 7,800. Total membership, 55,295. Net increase, 6,800. This is the first time in the history of Grand Chapter when every Chapter conferred degrees. The largest Chapter is Orient, No. 138, of Brooklyn, with a membership of 1,895. It Exalted 541 during the year.

In the evening the degree of Mark Master Mason was rehearsed by the Grand Lecturer, assisted by the officers from different Chapters.

The Committee on Charity recommended that four hundred dollars be expended for charitable purposes. Wonder what they are going to do with all that money?

The Grand Secretary's salary was increased from three thousand dollars to thirty-six hundred a year. Quite proper.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by M. E. Past Grand High Priest ARTHUR WARREN. It is his second, and a very excellent one it is. Such reports as his are a permanent addition to the literature of Capitular Masonry. We gather from his report that he believes it to be the duty of the Royal Arch Mason to dispense Masonic Light, and not wait to be chased into a corner before giving a worthy Brother a petition for the Chapter.

He does not approve of short cuts through the Chapter by way of the dispensing power of the Grand High Priest. Nor does he seem very enthusiastic over the New Constitution of the General Grand Chapter.

Pennsylvania is accorded a very fraternal review, and Grand High Priest DAVIS's address quoted with approval.

M. E. WILLARD T. CHEVALIER Grand High Priest.

M. E. CHARLES C. HUNT, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### NORTH CAROLINA, 1921.

The Seventy-third Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of North Carolina was held at Asheville, May 10 and 11, 1921.

The address of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest contains nothing of interest to the Companions outside of North Carolina.

The Grand Treasurer's balance sheet shows a balance on hand of \$6,571.97, and permanent fund, \$6,905.96. Triennial fund, (which we suppose has been spent before this) \$2,253.70, and Charity fund, \$2,365. In passing, we might note that this Charity fund is much larger than many other more wealthy Grand Chapters.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 855 Exalted during the year; present membership, 6,356; net gain during the year, 549.

Charters were granted for two new Chapters. Five Chapters failed to make any returns. One Chapter has the same Companion as Secretary and Treasurer. He ought to be able "to receive all monies paid on account of the Chapter and pay the same over to the Treasurer forthwith." Another advantage, the Treasurer would always be at the meeting when the Secretary was there, and we suppose that they would not consider holding a meeting in the absence of so important an officer.

Another Chapter is reported as having the same Companion as King and Secretary. Well, we wonder how they do it. These Chapters are not new or struggling Chapters. One was chartered in 1857, has a membership of 112, and exalted twenty last year. The other has a membership of 166, and exalted five last year.

They amended the by-laws to read that the duties of the Grand Lecturer should be performed by the Grand Secretary. Salary, \$900.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion J. H. ANDERSON, who introduces himself as follows:

"Having been drafted against my will, to perform a task not suited to my tastes or ability, but never having learned to say no when an effort to promote the interest of Masonry was concerned, I present this, my first literary effort of my life for your perusal and consideration."



Evidently the Grand High Priest must have agreed with him, for we find a new name as Committee on Foreign Correspondence this year.

He reviews the different Jurisdictions very briefly. Pennsylvania is accorded a half page fraternal notice, principally criticism of the actions of the Grand High Priest in doing what the Constitution empowers him to do, and which met with the unanimous approval of Grand Chapter.

M. E. Companion JOHN J. PHOENIX, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion JOHN B. GRIGGS, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### NORTH DAKOTA, 1921.

The Thirty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of North Dakota was held at Grand Forks, January 25, 1921. Pennsylvania was not represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his address, recounts the year's work, and it evidently was quite a busy one. He visited all but five or six Chapters and reports great interest manifested. He granted three dispensations for new Chapters and a number of routine dispensations.

He recommended that each constituent Chapter be visited at least once a year by a Grand Officer. Al-

most every Grand High Priest whose address we have read makes the same recommendation.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$11,657.74.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 420 Exaltations, with a net gain of 324, and membership, December 31, 1920, of 3,844.

A resolution was adopted dividing the State into five Districts for supervision and instruction.

Charters were granted to two of the Chapters under dispensation.

The report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence is by Past High Priest E. GEORGE GUTHRIE, and is right up to his always high standard.

It starts off without saying good morning, and quits without bidding us good-bye, but it is a good report just the same.

He wonders where Royal Arch Masons made at sight in Pennsylvania belong—that is, where they have their membership. They don't. They are at liberty to petition any Chapter in the State of Pennsylvania for membership exactly on the same basis as any other unaffiliated Royal Arch Mason. The making of a Royal Arch Mason at sight by the Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania does not make him a member of any Chapter.

Companion GUTHRIE does not take kindly to the topical review. As he very justly remarks, it frequently deteriorates into a very uninteresting monologue, in which some more or less learned Companion gets off some things which, to him, seem very vital, but which, to the great mass, are passed up without reading, and which form no solid contribution to the history or literature of Capitular Masonry. Better leave the spread-eagle work to the Grand Orator, where they have one, and let the humble reporter keep on reporting what the other Jurisdictions are doing, without giving his opinions too often.

M. E. Companion GEORGE E. DUIS, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion WALTER L. STOCKWELL, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### NOVA SCOTIA, 1921.

The Fifty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nova Scotia was held in I. O. O. F. Hall, in the town of Digby, N. S., Tuesday, June 7, 1921. Pennsylvania represented.

The Grand High Priest M. E. Companion WILBERT A. CREELMAN, in his annual address, recounted the year's activities, paid a beautiful tribute to the twenty Companions who, during the year, have



passed on to their reward and broader field of usefulness and happiness.

A number of decisions were made, but all are of local interest only.

“I had the pleasure of visiting all the Chapters but one in the Jurisdiction, and regret that I was unable to visit that one.”

Keith Chapter, No. 4, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary on May 13. This is the home Chapter of the Grand High Priest, and also of the Grand Secretary, Companion BRENTON F. PORTER.

Two new Chapters were constituted during the year.

The sacrifice made by the Grand High Priest in visiting nineteen of the twenty Chapters in the Jurisdiction can be better appreciated when we examine their financial statement and find that not a cent was appropriated to expense of Grand High Priest or Grand Officers.

The Grand Chapter adopted a resolution dividing the Jurisdiction into Districts, and directed the Grand High Priest, as soon as convenient after his installation, in each District appoint a Grand Superintendent, who shall be a member of Grand Chapter and of a Chapter in the District in which he is appointed, and he shall have the title of Right Excellent.

The Grand Treasurer shows receipts during the year of \$3,184.76: expenses, \$1,538.11; balance on

hand, \$2,599.90, which includes \$953.25 carried forward from the preceding year.

The Grand Secretary's report shows Exaltations, 346; present membership, 2,471, a net gain of 263.

The report of Foreign Correspondence is by Companion BRENTON F. PORTER, the Grand Secretary. It is a most charming report of one hundred pages, in which he reviews fifty Jurisdictions, culls the best, and lays it before the Companions of Nova Scotia in an interesting manner. The Free Masonry of Nova Scotia is very much like that of Pennsylvania, hence we read their reports with a sympathetic interest that is sometimes lacking in the reviews of Jurisdictions which differ so radically from our own.

Pennsylvania is accorded four pages of a very fraternal review. Of course Companion PORTER had an opportunity to view us at close range, he being one of our honored guests at our one hundred and twenty-fifth birthday. However, we believe Companion PORTER is holding something out on the Companions of Nova Scotia, for there were a number of things transpired at the one hundred and twenty-fifth Anniversary in which we know of our own knowledge Companion PORTER had a distinguished part that are nowhere mentioned. We would respectfully refer the Companions to Companion COCHRAN, who accompanied Companion PORTER, for further information.

However, if we ever get a chance we are going to return that visit. We would like to see the Companions from Nova Scotia again in the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania.

M. E. Companion EDGAR N. CLEMENTS, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion BRENTON F. PORTER, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### OHIO, 1920.

The One Hundred and Fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio was held in Youngstown, October 6, 1920. Fourteen Past Grand High Priests and the representatives of one hundred and eighty subordinate Chapters were present. Pennsylvania was not represented owing to the illness of Past Grand High Priest JAMES W. IREDELL, JR.

Immediately after the opening of Grand Chapter a telegram was read announcing the death of M. E. Companion WILLIAM A. REITER, Past Grand High Priest, while on his way to the meeting of Grand Chapter. The Grand High Priest called up Grand Chapter and an earnest prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain. A telegram of condolence was sent to the family of M. E. Companion REITER.



A letter was read from the wife of Deputy Grand High Priest, Companion SCHUYLER B. TUTHILL, stating his inability to be present, and that his condition was such as to preclude the possibility of his election. Just after the close of Grand Chapter word was received that Companion TUTHILL had been summoned by the Grand Master of the Universe to higher duties, and we have no doubt to greater pleasures. We extend our sympathy to the Companions of the Grand Chapter of Ohio, who almost during the actual session of the Grand Chapter lose a beloved Past Grand High Priest and their Deputy Grand High Priest.

The address of the Grand High Priest, Companion JOSEPH T. CROXALL, is a genuine message of good cheer, encouragement and sound advice to the Companions of Ohio, a little of which I will pass on to the Companions of Pennsylvania. It ought to do them good. He refers with particular pride to the net gain in membership during the year of 8,909, saying:

“Let us all hope that they will prove worthy of the confidence we have reposed in them, and that their influence through Capitular teachings will have its benign influence upon all with whom they come in contact. . . .

“The evil-minded and the enemies of our free institutions have not been idle, but have taken every opportunity to inoculate the confused minds with their false doctrines and teachings.

“Attempts to produce overnight an ideal economic world reminds us that the world climbs upward, not by explosive outburst of passion, but by a process of well-ordered evolution, based upon past experience and driven forward by the urging of lofty ideals and principles. It is time men go back to fundamental principles and realization that we are all inter-dependent upon one another; and that he who speaks wrongfully or violently is

undermining the very foundation upon which he has built his home, his livelihood and the security of both. . . . Our Fraternity teaches the dignity of labor; yes, the gospel of labor, for it is as true as Holy Writ that labor is the guarantee of right living and happiness. It is not enough to have faith that we shall come out of our valley of discontent; we must have the faith that inspires work and the zeal of precept that enthuses example. Institutions do not thrive by accident, they live through the possession and operation of everlasting principles.”

The Grand High Priest reports that the division of the State into Inspection Districts, with an Inspector over each District, has proven very satisfactory.

Among the decisions we note that a Master Mason of seventeen years' standing who had lost his arm seven inches below the shoulder sixteen years ago “is not physically qualified to receive the degrees.” The other decisions are purely on local matters. Six dispensations to form new Chapters were granted and two refused, and two prospective applications for dispensations for new Chapters advised not to apply. The Grand Chapter granted warrants for five of the new Chapters under dispensation, and continued the other one for another year.

Dispensations were refused to Chapters to journey to other towns and confer degrees, as “the dignity of Capitular Masonry could not be maintained by the officers traveling about to confer degrees for the convenience of the petitioners.” All of which is quite correct, and we would refer New York to the above.

Amendments to the Constitution were proposed, the Committee on Jurisprudence disapproving of them, but on a vote the Committee's recommendations



were not adopted, and the amendments, being put, were agreed to. The most important of which was:

“Petitions for the degrees and membership must be presented and acted upon at a stated Convocation of the Chapter opened in the Royal Arch Degree. If the action of a Chapter at such stated Convocation on a petition either for degrees or membership results in a clear ballot, such ballot entitles the petitioner either to all the degrees without further ballot or to membership as the case may be, and in no case shall the Most Excellent and Royal Arch be conferred on an applicant on the same day, and every candidate shall, before receiving the Royal Arch Degree, adopt and file with the Secretary of his Chapter a copy of his Mark.”

We congratulate the Grand Chapter of Ohio on its overruling the recommendations of the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The Grand Secretary's report (the twenty-second) leaves nothing to be desired. It is probably the most complete we have read, and is all so plain that there is no difficulty in finding just what you wish to refer to.

Number of Chapters, 191; under dispensation, 6; number of members Exalted during the year, 9,574; membership, July 1, 1920, 60,757. Net gain for the year, 8,909, being a net gain over 1919 of 4,754. The Grand Secretary has prepared an excellent comparative table, showing the growth for the past four years and many other facts quite interesting to the Companions of Ohio.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows receipts for the year of \$45,975.95; balance on hand at the beginning of the year, \$37,674.63; total, \$83,650.58. Expenditures, \$33,332.18, leaving a balance in the



treasury of \$50,318.40, a net gain over last year of \$12,643.77.

Among the items of expenditure we note Ohio Masonic Home, per capita tax, \$11,342.75; Ohio Masonic Home, Liberty Bonds, \$7,500, Ohio Masonic Home, Cemetery fund, \$500, totaling \$19,342.75 to that wonderful charity. "The liberal soul shall be made fat."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by Past Grand High Priest ORION P. SPERRA. This statement in itself is enough for those of us who have had the privilege of reading his former reports. He reviews fifty Jurisdictions, some of them double headers, and yet manages to compress the report into 103 pages.

Pennsylvania is accorded a very fraternal review.

M. E. Companion S. RUFUS JONES, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion EDWIN HAGENBUCH, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### OKLAHOMA, 1921.

The Thirty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma was held at Bartlesville, May 19-20, 1921. Pennsylvania was represented.

The M. E. Grand High Priest, Companion HAROLD B. DOWNING, was a very busy man, according to his own statement as set forth in his annual address. He visited eight Chapters, attended three District meetings, four general meetings, toured with a degree team for a week in an automobile, holding five meetings, arrested the charters of three Chapters and the gavels of two High Priests, one of which was restored, after apologies, issued dispensations to open three new Chapters, made three decisions, and did a lot of other things too numerous to mention.

He divided the State into nine Inspection Districts in such a manner that the home of a Grand Officer was in each District: these were subdivided into three sub-districts each, making twenty-seven sub-districts, over each of which was appointed a District Deputy Grand High Priest.

In summing up he makes a number of recommendations, most of which are already the law in Pennsylvania. He says that the revenues are not sufficient to meet the needs of Grand Chapter and build up a permanent fund, and urgently recommends that they be increased.

The balance sheet of the Grand Chapter shows \$12,388.18 in the Treasurer's hands after payment of all expenses. There is also \$3,269.61 in the war relief fund, and \$1,000 in war saving stamps.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 2,145 Exalted during the year, with a membership, December 31,

1920, of 9,961, a net gain for the year of 1,815. This is a gain of over twenty-five per cent., and shows that the work of the Grand High Priest has borne fruit. Charters were granted to five new Chapters.

The Jurisdiction Committee recommended Grand Chapter dues be raised from fifty cents to one dollar, of which sum twenty-five cents goes to the permanent educational fund. This recommendation was adopted.

The recommendation of the Grand High Priest that the State be divided into Districts, under the supervision of District Deputy Grand High Priests, was adopted in the face of a negative report by the Jurisprudence Committee.

The report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence is by Companion WILLIAM NOBLE, and begins with an apology for allowing business and absence from home interfering with his duties as Foreign Correspondent. He reviews fifty-three Jurisdictions, six of them being double headers, and then says that he could have reviewed a lot more if they had only come his way. He is very much worked up about the making of a Royal Arch Mason at sight by the Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania, and says that it ought to be stopped. Well, just who is going to stop it?

In closing he says that "duty calls me elsewhere and to other fields of labor, hence we are relinquish-



ing the goose quill and placing it in the hands of another." This does not seem to have been correct, for a footnote with the initials of the Grand Secretary says, "He is just fooling. He did think for awhile that he would quit the job and help Brother HARDING govern the country, but he found out that he was a better Mason than politician, and he is still on the job."

Evidently the call was not as loud as he thought it was. All of which is very fortunate, for there are plenty of politicians, but very few good Foreign Correspondents.

M. E. Companion EUGENE P. McMAHON, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion JAMES A. SCOTT, Grand Secretary.

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### OREGON, 1921.

The Sixty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Oregon was held in Portland, June 13, 1921. Pennsylvania represented.

The address of the Grand High Priest covers but two and a half pages. One new Chapter was constituted, and dispensations issued for two more. The Grand High Priest, however, was not idle.

“Having visited every Chapter, more than ever do I see the need of Masonic instruction and education throughout all the constituent Chapters, to the end that the ceremonies through which the candidate has passed may become, and be intelligent to him and the Companions. Neglect of the young Mason and the entire absence of Masonic educational facilities induces waning interest among members and small attendance in Chapters.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

“Either the Grand High Priest or his proxy visit each Chapter each year to instruct in both the ritual and keeping of the records. Some Chapters had never before been visited by a Grand High Priest or his representative and were sadly in need of instruction.”

We congratulate Oregon on having a Grand High Priest who realizes the great benefit of personal visitation. We happen to know that Oregon is a real big State, and to visit every Chapter requires many miles of travel, but it is worth while.

We often see that some of the Chapters “failed to make any return.” We are beginning to be of the opinion that the cause of the sickness in many Chapters is the lack of real interest in the subordinate Chapters by Grand Officers. Instead of penalizing those backward Chapters how would it do to make a regulation that no Chapter should be required to make an annual report which had not during the year been visited at least once by a Grand Officer or a representative of the Grand High Priest. Subordinate Chapters have some rights to instruction, and from a good many reports which we have read they have not gotten very much from Grand Officers. This in no way applies to Oregon. It is one of the most progressive Jurisdictions in the United States.

No decisions are reported.

Grand Treasurer reports a balance of \$16,750 in the Treasury.

The Grand Orator, Companion GEORGE T. COCHRAN, delivered a scholarly address on the "Destruction of the Temple."

From a report of the Committee on Jurisprudence we incidentally learn that the Grand Chapter of Oregon had asked the General Grand Chapter of the United States to grant it a charter or warrant, a request which the General Grand Chapter side-stepped, whereat the Grand Chapter of Oregon is peeved, but decided to try it again. For the life of us we cannot see why the Grand Chapter of Oregon should want a charter from the General Grand Chapter, or why the General Grand Chapter should hesitate to give it one. Of course, the General Grand Chapter never had any charter or warrant itself, but a number of Chapters got together and made an agreement, and, lo, there was a General Grand Chapter of the United States.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion WALTER O. HAINES. He reviews many Jurisdictions for 1919, but somehow he missed the oldest one. Pennsylvania is omitted.

Under the review of the General Grand Chapter, referring to the Ritual he says:

"One thing that could well be eliminated is the Past Master's Degree. As now conferred it is a makeshift, and without meaning. Nor is it needed under our present regulation. If Capitular Masonry has the right



to change the requirement that only actual Past Masters are entitled to the degree of Royal Arch Mason, then it has an equal right to do away with it altogether.''

All of which sounds very reasonable. What do ye scribes think of it?

The clearest and most dispassionate review of the trouble between the General Grand Chapter and Scotland that we have read is written by Companion HAINES.

He trusts that the new Constitution of the General Grand Chapter will be adopted, but he did not trust aright. It was laid on the table.

M. E. Companion WALTER R. BILYEU, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion JAMES F. ROBINSON, Grand Secretary.

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### QUEBEC, 1921.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec held their Forty-fourth Annual Grand Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Montreal, March 23, 1921. Pennsylvania was ably represented by R. E. WILLIAM M. COUPER, Grand Z.

The Grand First Principal, in his annual address, notes the loss by death during the year of three Past

Grand First Principals and one Past Grand Second Principal.

Grand First Principal Z., M. E. Companion WALTER J. FRANCIS says:

“One year ago you conferred on me the honor of the First Principal Office of this Grand Body. Having been unavoidably absent on that occasion, I was unable to thank you personally for the honor, and I take this, the first opportunity since, to express to you my appreciation of it. At the same time I cannot help regretting that illness prevented me from performing my duties for over eight months.”

We deeply sympathize with Companion FRANCIS, but we must say that if he crowded all he did in four months he was a wonder. His whole address breathes thorough Masonic principles, and is, or ought to be, a wonderful incentive to the Companions of that Jurisdiction. Under Conditions of the Craft he says:

“I have made an analysis of the relative membership of the Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter during the past eleven years, and, while it appears that the membership of Grand Chapter has been practically twenty per cent. of that of Grand Lodge year by year, the relative gain in each year has not been constant. Considering the increases only, year by year, and not to gross membership, in some years the increase was forty per cent. of the increase of Grand Lodge, but in other years it was as low as twelve per cent. These figures lead us to wonder why so few as one-fifth of the members of the Symbolic Lodges proceed to the completion of the Master Mason degree, or, again, why in some years the Chapters have taken in forty per cent. of the increase of Grand Lodge, while in other years they have taken in less than twelve per cent. The answer seems to me quite plain, namely, that there is a misunderstanding and lack of information on the part of the Master Masons. I can see no objection whatever to the properly advising the Master Masons of the relation of the Chapter to the Lodge. Indeed I believe that this should be systematically done. There does not seem to be any good reason why the membership of the Chapters should not be at least one-half of that of the Lodges.”

All of which we most heartily endorse, and hope to see the day when the Master Mason who is not a Royal Arch Mason will be the exception, and not the rule.

It is most refreshing in these days of big classes and big membership and everything else big to hear the Grand First Principal say this of the Chapter membership:

“Friendship inspires mutual confidence, and makes service easier to render. It can only be obtained in its fullest sense in our subordinate bodies when the membership is comparatively small in numbers. My ideal of any Masonic body is one in which every member, and in which each candidate for admission may soon become really and truly a member of that Masonic family. It is only under such conditions that the Chapters can render a maximum of service.”

We would like to quote quite a number more things from the same source, but we must hasten on as our time until going to press is limited.

Dispensations were issued for two new Chapters and a number of routine dispensations issued to meet emergencies not provided for by the Constitution. They were mostly to install officers.

Two District meetings were held during the year; we suppose for rehearsal of the work. Both meetings are reported as successful.

Interchange of visits between Chapters are also noted and commended. We approve of these interchange of courtesies between Chapters. It tends to weld the bodies into a more homogeneous whole.



Personally, I do not think we visit one another frequently enough.

The Committee on the Address of the Grand Z. approved all that he did, and have this to say about the Past Master's degree.

“It must be remembered that the Past Master's Degree is a survival from former conditions which no longer exist, that to a large extent it is an anachronism, and that therefore its retention in our system must be justified by its continued usefulness. In view of the pronounced feeling among serious-minded members of the Order that our series of degrees would be strengthened if the Past Master's Degree were eliminated, it behooves us to take pains to insure that insofar as possible it be made a stepping stone and not an obstacle to the Degree of Holy Royal Arch.”

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts \$2,816.50, which with a balance of \$2,463.94 brought forward, and interest collected \$49.39, makes a total of \$5,329.50. Expenses, \$1,782.20. Balance in Royal Bank of Canada, \$3,547.63.

The Grand Scribe E. reports Exaltations 332, with a net gain of 283; present membership, December 31, 1920, 2,459.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by M. E. Companion E. D. T. CHAMBERS (we think it is his thirty-fourth). It is the finished work of a master hand. Of course he reviews all the Jurisdictions whose proceedings had reached him. Speaking of weak Chapters he says:

“Whether it may be that a Chapter is sickly because it has had the bad luck to be located in a decaying community, or whether the decay or dry rot be in the Chapter itself, it should be promptly removed. A practically dead Chapter should be given a prompt and decent funeral.”

He does not favor the topical review, but thinks it all right for the reviewer, if he finds ideas that do not fit in under any Jurisdiction, and which he cannot repress, to set them free in his introduction or valedictory. We always enjoy these, coming as they do from the heart of the reviewer after he has read thousands of pages of proceedings, many of which have a striking similarity to each other. We do not think, however, that the reviewer should be the whole show himself. He ought to let the other reviewers, Grand High Priests, Grand Lecturers, etc., have a chance.

But we must not visit longer with Quebec, dearly as we love her. Pennsylvania is accorded a very fraternal review and a liberal quotation made from our report.

M. E. Companion WALTER J. FRANCIS, Grand Z.  
(Re-elected.)

R. E. Companion W. W. WILLIAMSON, Scribe E.  
J. M. C.

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### RHODE ISLAND, 1920.

The One Hundred and Twenty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Rhode Island was held in the City of Providence, March 9, 1920. All Grand Officers present. Nine Past Grand High Priests and the representatives of

eleven Chapters. Pennsylvania was also present by her Grand Representative, M. E. Companion ALBERT L. ANTHONY.

Distinguished visitors included M. E. Companion WILLIAM N. PONTON, Grand Z. of Canada; M. E. RICHARD C. WOODWARD, Grand High Priest of New Jersey; M. E. ERNEST F. SWEENEY, Grand High Priest of Connecticut.

The Grand High Priest's address is a very concise and yet complete statement of the work for the year. He says that impaired health took from him a whole month, yet he found time and strength to visit all but one of the Chapters. (The failure to visit it was caused by the cancellation of a special meeting called for work.) Some of them he visited a number of times. He visited the Grand Chapters of New York and Connecticut, attended the George Washington National Memorial Association meeting, issued a dispensation for one new Chapter, and constituted one Chapter. He makes a number of recommendations, one of them being the adoption of an identification card to assist in tiling large Chapters. He also calls attention to the fact that the Grand Chapter does not have copies of the by-laws of all the subordinate Chapters, which causes much inconvenience when amendments to the by-laws are sent in for approval.

A standing order was made adopting identification cards, to go into effect September 1, 1920.



A standing order was adopted allowing Chapters to be the judge of physical qualification "when the action of the Chapter is approved by the Grand High Priest." They come mighty near leaving it to the Chapter, didn't they?

"Ordered that the American Flag be displayed in the East at all Convocations of this Grand Chapter and its subordinate Chapters."

A New Constitution was adopted and the Grand High Priest directed to secure an amendment to the civil charter incorporating Grand Chapter, to provide for a change in the name to conform to the Constitution adopted, also to the holding of property to the value of fifty thousand dollars.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 703 Exaltations; losses, 145; net gain for the year, 724; total membership, 6,005.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made the following report:

"The Committee on Foreign Correspondence has prepared a report in the form of a digest of such proceedings for 1919 as have been received, and recommends that a digest of such proceedings as may be received prior to publication of the proceedings of the Grand Chapter for 1920 be added to the report, and that the report be printed with the proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

WILBUR A. SCOTT,

*Committee on Foreign Correspondence."*

But, bless me, there is not a word of it in the copy of the proceedings which reached me.

M. E. Companion JAMES A. ROGERS, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion WILLIAM R. GREENE Grand Secretary.

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### SCOTLAND.

The proceedings of the Quarterly Convocations of Friday, December 17, 1920, March 4, 1921, the Annual Convocation, Saturday, March 20, 1920, and the Annual Convocation of Monday, March 21, 1921, Quarterly Convocation of May 4, and of Friday, June 17, 1921, of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland have been received. They come in small pamphlets containing the proceedings of each meeting separately.

No decisions are reported.

No report of a Committee on Correspondence.

High tide seems to be reached at the banquet table at the March Convocation when the First Grand Z. is installed. Many toasts are proposed, seconded and responded to. This year the banquet was resumed, after having been discontinued during the period of the war.

In the reply of the First Grand Z., the Earl of CASSILLIS, to the toast of the Grand Chapter of Scotland, we find many facts set out which do not appear

elsewhere in the proceedings. In fact his response very much resembles the Annual Address of the Grand High Priest in this country, except that it is made at the banquet table, instead of within the tiled Chapter Hall, as with us. We learn from it the following:

“The total funds are now £27,044, 12s. 1d. For the year 1920-21 we had 11,103 Exaltations, as opposed to 9,754 Exaltations last year. Then the Lodge and Council diplomas last year were 5,427 and this year they were 6,454. Our Cryptic degrees last year were 1,883 and this year they are 2,660. Last year we gave seventeen charters, this year we have given twenty-nine, and I believe that is by no means going to exhaust our list. There are several more charters in prospect.

“Our relations with the United States of America have not been in all respects satisfactory, but the majority of the Grand Chapters still maintain friendly relations, and we are even in informal correspondence with the General Grand Chapter. . . .

“Most of the Chapters in the United States are still on terms of friendship with us, and the only point of difficulty is with regard to our Chapter in the Philippine Islands which we can hardly afford to desert, but which will undoubtedly in due time, be absorbed in a Grand Chapter within these Islands. I think if the Supreme Grand Chapter had only known the full facts at the beginning of 1913 it would not have granted that charter there; but the facts were a bit confusing, because, although no American Blue Masonry body claimed supremacy over the Philippines at the same time, this General Grand Chapter did, and apparently we were wrong in not recognizing its claims at the time.”

The foregoing is almost a complete repetition of what the Grand Z. said in 1920 when referring to the same matter. A calm survey of the situation by those who have no interest in the outcome of the controversy does not tend to show that the Grand Chapter of Scotland is entirely in the wrong. Assuming control over territory by the General Grand Chapter where it is not supported by complete control of



the Blue Lodge Masonry does not seem to be warranted.

At the Annual Convocation in March, 1920, which seems to have been their Centenary, the First Grand Principal was invested with the Centenary collar. This beautiful collar, especially designed for the Centenary, is a chain collar of eighteen carat gold, and cost one hundred and sixty pounds. This grand banquet was partly Centenary and partly peace. It should have been observed in 1917, if the Huns had not interfered with the program.

Earl of CASSILLIS, Grand Z.

A. A. A. MURRAY, Grand Scribe E.

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### SOUTH CAROLINA, 1921.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of South Carolina held its One Hundred and Ninth Convocation at Georgetown, Tuesday, April 13, 1921, at twelve o'clock M. Pennsylvania represented.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form*, and after being welcomed by Georgetown and welcoming the Grand High Priest of North Carolina, the Grand High Priest, SAMUEL T. LANAHAN, delivered his address.

The Grand High Priest, referring to the unexampled prosperity of the Grand Chapter, sounds a

note of warning lest our prosperity be our downfall, and counsels the Companions to rise to the responsibilities now thrust upon all patriotic Americans.

All the decisions were under their particular law, and not of general interest.

Three dispensations for new Chapters were granted. Grand Chapter granted charters to two of the new Chapters, and continued the dispensation of the third for another year. A number of other dispensations were granted, three to ballot on petitions out of time and two to confer three degrees at one meeting. The Committee on Jurisprudence disapproves of the last dispensation, saying that it is in direct contravention of the provision of the Constitution, which forbids the conferring of more than two degrees upon a candidate at the same Convocation. But then, what is the Constitution when we wish to accommodate a friend or get through "real quick?"

A by-law on physical qualifications was passed which reads, "Every candidate for initiation must be of sound mind and capable of learning the art and complying reasonably with the requirements as to initiation ceremonies."

For purposes of visitation the State is divided up into Districts and certain Grand Officers assigned to visit the Chapters. Whether this was done or not does not appear by the proceedings. The Grand High Priest does not report any visits made by him.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 1,082 Exaltations; loss, 184; net gain during the year, 975; present membership, 4,799.

The Grand Treasurer's report for the year shows receipts, \$11,624.50; expenditures, \$7,750.65, with a cash balance at the end of the year of \$9,227.93, a net gain for the year of \$4,624.50.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion J. L. MICHIE. He says it is his tenth. Of course part of it is in Latin, and some of it in Scotch (no we didn't say Scottisch), but it is entertaining, at least that part of it which we can understand. We gathered from a careful reading of the report that the writer was not in favor of the new Constitution of the General Grand Chapter or the ritual which the same body had promulgated. (Since writing the above those matters have been settled to the full satisfaction of Companion MICHIE.)

In many of his reports he touches up the Grand High Priests on their failure to visit the subordinate Chapters. We most heartily agree with him in this. A Grand High Priest who is too lazy or indifferent to visit the Chapters is not only not doing his duty, but he is a positive detriment to Royal Arch Masonry. A drone in authority can kill almost any organization.

He makes faces at us under the guise of criticism. Says that Companion DAVID J. DAVIS was installed



Grand High Priest of the Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdictions Thereunto Belonging. The word is Jurisdiction and not Jurisdictions. This word has caused much merriment heretofore, and no doubt will continue to do so by careless reviewers.

M. E. Companion SAMUEL T. LANAHAN, Grand High Priest. (Re-elected.)

R. E. Companion FRANK HART, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### SOUTH DAKOTA.

The Thirty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of South Dakota met at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Watertown, S. D., Thursday, June 16, 1921, at nine o'clock A. M., and was opened by M. E. Companion ARTHUR B. McKEEL, Grand High Priest, in *Ample Form*.

All but two of the Grand Officers were present. Twenty-eight Chapters were represented and fourteen not represented. As at the previous Annual Convocation, there was apparently no Representative of Pennsylvania present.

The following is quoted from the address of the Grand High Priest.

“COMPANIONS:—The hand of time has again passed around the dial since last we met and another year has passed into history. To you who are assembled in this Thirty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota I extend fraternal greetings. We are here assembled to review the work of the past year and to frame plans for the future. Some matters will be presented by the Grand Secretary for our consideration.

“Before entering upon the duties before us let us examine the record to find who of our Companions have been summoned by the Supreme Grand High Priest to take their places in the Grand Chapter above. The ranks of our own Grand Chapter have not been broken, but from the subordinate Chapters sixty-two Companions have passed out through the vails into the presence of the Great I Am. In our sister Grand Chapters many links in the chain of earthly companionship have been broken.

“List of the deceased of our own Jurisdiction and of the distinguished Companions will be printed in the proceedings. While we mourn our loss, we have left the consolation of looking forward to a happy reunion in the Grand Chapter above, and we leave to the Committee on Obituary the mournful task of commemorating their virtues.”

Under “Dispensations” the Grand High Priest mentions the following refusal:

“On May 14, I refused to grant a dispensation to Salem Chapter, No. 34, to ballot on a petition out of time, the petitioner desiring to receive the degrees so that he could petition for the Commandery and receive the Orders before the Shrine meeting, May 19.”

We think his point is well taken.

The following is another decision he made, which we think is worthy of mention:

“Pierre Chapter, No. 22, submitted the following:

“ ‘A brother petitioned for the degrees in this Chapter and was elected on April 22, 1920, but removed to Aberdeen, S. D. before receiving the degrees. He now requests that this Chapter cancel his application and return the fee which accompanied the same, as he desires to petition the Chapter at Aberdeen for the degrees. The question is—can the petition be withdrawn at this time and an application entertained by the Aberdeen Chapter, or does Pierre Chapter hold jurisdiction over the applicant on account of his having been elected to receive the degrees in our Chapter? The Brother has been advised that Pierre Chapter would be glad to make a

request of Aberdeen Chapter to confer the degrees upon him for this Chapter, but it is his wish to submit his application to the Chapter at Aberdeen for their action on the same.'

"To this I replied: 'The brother is still within the jurisdiction of Pierre Chapter and will so remain so long as he resides within the border of this State, or until he receives the degrees and demits.' "

The Grand High Priest had a very active term of office, as his report on Visitations shows, which I quote verbatim:

"It was my intention, one year ago, to visit all the Chapters in the Jurisdiction before the assembling of this Convocation, but on account of ill health I have only been able to visit thirteen of them. With only one exception I found them all in a prosperous condition—the officers and members enthusiastic and anxious for instruction. It gave me great pleasure to have our esteemed Grand Lecturer, M. E. Companion BENJ. F. IVES, with me on four of these visits."

The report of the Committee on Jurisprudence unanimously approved of the decisions of the Grand High Priest.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows the following:

Balance on hand June 9, 1920 .....	\$5,100 33
Receipts during the year .....	5,906 84
Total .....	<u>\$11,007 17</u>
Expenses during the year .....	3,504 53
Balance on hand June 16, 1921 .....	<u>\$7,502 64</u>

The Grand Secretary's report shows a total membership of 5,603, with a net gain of 749.

An engraving of the elected Grand High Priest is shown on the first page of the proceedings.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reviews the proceedings of forty-five Grand Chapters.



Pennsylvania is very briefly reviewed, making favorable comments on our system of District Deputy Grand High Priests.

M. E. Companion ARTHUR B. McKEEL, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion GEORGE A. PETTIGREW, Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

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## TENNESSEE.

The Ninety-second Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Tennessee was held in Freemason's Hall, Nashville, beginning on Monday, January 24, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451, at nine o'clock A. M. All the Grand Officers, thirteen Past Grand High Priests, twenty Past High Priests of subordinate Chapters and thirty Grand Representatives present. Seventy-six Chapters represented, seven Chapters not represented. Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* after prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand High Priest then read his address, which was an able report of his actions as Grand High Priest. His opening paragraphs relating to their meeting together I think is deserving a place in our proceedings. He says:

"In welcoming you to the ninety-second Grand Convocation of this Grand Chapter, I will not trespass upon your time by making a general survey of the world at large, nor will I distract your mind from the mat-

ters which should claim the attention of members of this Grand Body, and for the consideration of which you have been sent here from your respective subordinate Chapters. If my report shall merely enumerate my own official acts and shall bring before you for intelligent consideration the record of the past year in Capitular Masonry, the condition and needs which now exist—it will of necessity be long and make demands upon your patience, for the record of the past year in Capitular achievement is the greatest in the annals of the Grand Chapter. However, I cannot refrain from giving expression to that sincere pleasure which always warms the hearts of those who have been accustomed to meet each other for year after year in the annual convocation of this Grand Body. Many familiar faces we see and greet; a few are absent, but these we hope to see and greet again after a while. To the new Representatives I extend the warmest possible greeting, reminding you that upon your shoulders must fall the mantle which we wear who are older in the service, and into your hands must soon be committed the trust and responsibilities which others now carry. This alone should at once enlist your earnest attention in the great work before you and cause you to realize the sincerity of the welcome which I heartily extend you. May you be faithful, earnest, serious-minded, in attending to the duties which now await your attention; and may the record of your service be a better and more illustrious one than ours. With this simple but sincere appreciation of your presence, and assurance of my extreme pleasure in meeting those whom I have known and loved for years, and in greeting those who are here for their first service, I will now proceed to call your attention to the official record of your Grand High Priest.”

A number of dispensations were granted for various purposes, *viz.*, Elect and install officers to fill vacancies caused by death, and to change places of meetings.

Four dispensations were issued for charters for new Chapters.

Six Chapters that were placed on probation by the last Grand Chapter, he reports all have shown commendable activity and report many exaltations and a large increase of membership.



Many visitations were made, and states that in every case his reception was all that could have been asked for or desired in generosity and unreserved Masonic friendship. He gave assistance in the conferring of degrees in various Chapters.

In his various rulings and decisions, with one exception, he was supported by the Committee on Jurisprudence. I quote the ruling which the committee did not approve:

“On December 4 I had a peculiar case from Stewart, No. 190. Brother JOHN HENRY ROBBINS petitioned for the Royal Arch Degree. He claims to have received the Mark Master, Past Master and Most Excellent Master Degrees at Waverly, Tennessee, in 1867. Through no fault of his the Brother failed to receive the Royal Arch. Upon consulting the returns of the old Waverly Chapter for that year, it was found that the names of only those exalted were recorded, not of those having received the first three degrees. The Chapter ceased to exist several years ago.

“Decided: In the absence of any record establishing the claim that the Brother had received the first three degrees; and in further consideration of the fact that from the long lapse of time he must be almost totally ignorant of them; the Brother must take the first three degrees again, not to be charged with any fee except for the Royal Arch.”

The report of the Committee states, “We think in the absence of satisfactory proof that the Brother had regularly received the first three degrees of the Chapter, he should be required to make new application and to retake these degrees and pay all necessary fees therefor.”

He paid a tribute of love and remembrance to the fraternal dead, *viz.*: Past Grand High Priest ISAAC JONES THURMAN and Past Grand High Priest A. N.



SLOAN, and Past Grand High Priest ANDREW P. TROGDEN. We quote the closing paragraph:

“We close this Chapter with no sadness in our hearts; our Companions had finished their work, they were entitled to rest. Peace to their ashes. The inspiration of their lives will urge us on to higher accomplishment, and the memory of their companionship will gladden and please—not sadden us. We face our tasks not sad but strong, not with tears, but with hope, as we linger over their lives. We are better, stronger, happier that they have lived.”

Fraternal tributes of memory are made to Companions of sister Jurisdictions. I quote the closing paragraph of his pleasing address.

“In conclusion, with sincere regrets for having trespassed so much on your time and patience, and having burdened you with so long a report, I invoke the blessings of the Heavenly Father upon your labors, and bid you address yourselves to the work which lies open before you.”

At 11 A. M. the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment until 7.30 P. M., when the Royal Arch Degree was exemplified in the Hall of Cumberland Chapter, No. 1, M. E. Companion A. G. BOWEN, Grand High Priest, presiding.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshments until 9 o'clock, Tuesday morning, January 25, 1921.

The reports of the various Committees were submitted, and on motion adopted. Among the appropriations of the Ways and Means Committee I note the following: An appropriation of \$100 to the George Washington Memorial Association; that \$250 be appropriated for the relief of starving Chinese; that \$100 be appropriated to the Near East Relief

Fund; that \$250 for writing the report on Foreign Correspondence; that \$200 or as much thereof as may be necessary to purchase suitable badges for all Tennessee members attending the meeting of Grand Chapter; that the Grand Officers, members of the several committees and Representatives of subordinate Chapters be paid 10 cents per mile one way and \$8 per day.

The proceedings contain two fine portraits, those of Companions A. G. BOWEN, Past Grand High Priest, and F. E. BARTLEY, Grand High Priest.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by M. E. Companion C. H. SMART, Past Grand High Priest. We quote a portion of it relating to Pennsylvania. He comments on the action of M. E. Companion DAVID J. DAVIS, as follows:

“He called an emergency convocation on November 21, 1919, when the Governor of Pennsylvania received all the degrees of the Chapter at sight. We look upon this as the quintessence of toadyism. Would he have made a poor man—a carpenter, blacksmith or a bricklayer—a Royal Arch Mason at sight? Not on your tintype! The humblest Master Mason in ‘The Lodge Room Over Simkins’ Store’ is the equal of the Governor of Pennsylvania, or any other old State, when it comes to Masonry, and the Governor should have been made to get the degrees of the Chapter the same as any one else. This seems to be the style in Pennsylvania—last year it was the Grand High Priest’s son—but it seems to us to be a doubtful prerogative which has been specially given by the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania to her Grand High Priests—one which we believe is contrary to all Capitular law, and is an aping of the prerogative of the Grand Master of the Blue Degrees.

“He decided that where a Brother who had had his mark recorded wrong by the Secretary and wished to have an entirely new mark recorded, claiming that his mark had never been recorded and that he could



change it, could not do so, and refused him permission to substitute it or adopt another. We fail to reconcile this decision with the obligation of the Mark Degree.''

We do not think it necessary to criticize the remarks made by Companion SMART. He is excused.

The Grand Secretary reports a net gain of .....	1,066
Number of Chapters on roll .....	83
Total membership .....	7,757

M. E. Companion F. E. BARTLEY was elected Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion STITH M. CAIN, Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

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## TEXAS.

The Seventy-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas convened in the City of Waco, Monday, December 6, 1920, at 10 o'clock A. M., was opened in *Ample Form*, led in devotions by E. Companion N. F. GRAFTON, Grand Chaplain. All of the Grand Officers present. Fifteen Past Grand Officers, forty Grand Representatives and the representatives of 146 chartered Chapters present. The list of Grand Chapters was called and the forty Grand Representatives were welcomed by the Grand High Priest and invited to seats in the Grand Chapter, Pennsylvania's representatives being present.

The Grand High Priest delivered his annual address. It is a good one, but quite lengthy, covering



forty pages of the proceedings. I wish I would be able to report it verbatim, for every word of it is of interest to all Royal Arch Masons, but time and space will not permit. I will quote his opening paragraphs:

“COMPANIONS:—It affords me pleasure to bid you thrice welcome to the Seventy-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas. You have come from every portion of our Grand Jurisdiction, leaving loved ones, homes, and business engagements, sacrificing time and money, that you may receive the hearty hand clasp, looking into familiar faces, hear and receive fraternal greetings, and by pleasant association and active participation in the work of this Grand Chapter gain renewed inspiration for the enrichment of yourselves and Royal Arch Masonry.

“Let us thank the All-Wise Creator for His guidance through another year, and for the countless blessings from His bountiful hand; for health and prosperity for our State and Nation; that this Grand Chapter is enjoying fraternal relations with the other sister Grand Jurisdictions; that our country is no longer engaged in bloody combat, and that our glorious flag unfurls its red, white and blue o’er land and sea, typifying to the nations of the earth our earnestness of purpose, our fidelity to the right, and our interest for the welfare of humanity.

“Let us rejoice in the fact that the builders of our great Lone Star State were men whose glorious achievements at Goliad, at the Alamo, and at San Jacinto have not only been engraven upon bronze and marble, but in the affections of the human heart, to be heralded in song and story until the sundown of time; that their noble conceptions to do and to die in the realizations of the immortal principles of liberty, equality, and fraternity, gained for themselves and their posterity blessings invaluable and imperishable. Let us not forget that the men who gave their blood to crimson and to bespatter the walls at Concepcion, and their bodies to form the funeral pyre at Goliad, were laying broad and deep the foundations of a State whose benedictions should be not less renowned in peace than in war.

“May we be doubly conscious and keenly sensitive that the long line of illustrious heroes, who made us heirs of their splendid achievements, are watching us from the realms eternal, and are bidding us take up their work and push it forward as men and Masons for the benefit of ourselves, our craft, and our country.

“May we remember that we are living in the greatest age of the world; that our work requires the active exercise of the best with which we are

endowed; that we are the representatives of the noble brotherhood whose principles and practices have not only concentrated upon ourselves and our order 'the eyes of Texas,' but the eyes of the world.'"

His address covers the activities of the Grand Chapter for the year. A number of Chapters, whose charters were arrested the previous year for failure to pay dues, were restored, except one who did not comply with the law, preferring to surrender its charter and effects. He recommended that the charter be revoked.

Duplicate charters were issued to two Chapters, one on account of the original charter having been greatly damaged by storm and since mutilated and torn in two, the other having been burned October 30, 1920.

Quite a number of dispensations were granted: To resume labor, to move in other locations, mostly into the new Masonic Temple; to elect officers out of time; to publicly install officers; elections to fill vacancies. Two dispensations were refused. Those probably of interest to Pennsylvania Royal Arch Masons I quote:

"Pampa Chapter, No. 383, Pampa, Texas, on September 24, 1920, was refused dispensation to elect High Priest to succeed the High Priest who contemplated removing from the jurisdiction about December 1, 1920. There was no actual vacancy, and Article 19 and 143, Grand Chapter Laws, provide for election of High Priest only in case of vacancy in all three of the highest officers of the Chapter.

"Henderson Chapter, No. 361, of Henderson, Texas, made application for dispensation to participate as a Chapter in Scottish Rite Memorial Service, on July 3, 1920, over the grave of Brother ERNEST ELLIOTT, a Master Mason and Thirty-second Degree Scottish Rite Mason, but not a Royal Arch Mason, who lost his life as a soldier in the late war. Brother



ELLIOTT not being a Royal Arch Mason, I did not feel warranted in granting dispensation to participate as a Chapter in memorial services of one who is not a Royal Arch Mason.’’

Upon proper requests from Grand High Priests of other Grand Jurisdictions he authorized and requested Chapters in their Jurisdictions to confer degrees in fourteen other Grand Jurisdictions as a courtesy. Courtesies requested for the same purpose, from eleven Grand Jurisdictions.

In speaking of the pleasure and privilege in visiting the Home for Aged Masons, at Kestone, he says:

“I saw the inmates of the Home eating their mid-day meal, which alone was worth my visit to see. There I had an opportunity to see the one hundred and twenty inmates, whose frosted heads and tottering steps indicate that their days in the Home prepared by benevolent hands will soon come to an end. I had the privilege of inspecting the Hospital, which was erected with the funds from the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Texas. the dedication of which I had witnessed. I saw the surrounding buildings of the Home, the dairy, the Jersey cows, the hogs, the mules, the poultry, the flower garden, the orchard, and the farm, belonging to the Home, and not a regret did I have that all these had been provided through the generosity of men who verily believe that it is more blessed to give than to receive. I rejoice that the Royal Arch Masons of Texas, assisted by the liberal contributions from other Masonic bodies, can not afford to neglect this Home.’’

In his decisions and rulings upon questions he states that these questions could have been ascertained from a study of the Grand Chapter Laws and Amendments, and rulings of the able Grand High Priests who preceded him. The report of the Committee on Jurisprudence states in this connection: “He reports fifteen constructions of the law and we find that in their opinion he correctly ruled in accord-



ance with the reading of the law in all cases except one.” This decision I will quote :

“5. Chapter Vote Necessary to Reinstate Suspended Member: A Royal Arch Mason was suspended by his Texas Blue Lodge in 1913 for un-Masonic conduct and was reinstated in said Lodge in 1919, granted a demit upon which he affiliated in another Blue Lodge. It requires vote of a Chapter to reinstate in the Chapter a member suspended in the Blue Lodge for un-Masonic conduct.”

He pays loving tributes to the worth of M. E. Companion B. F. DWIGGINS, Past Grand High Priest, and Past Grand High Priest RUFUS PRICE. Pages in the proceedings are dedicated to their memories. Fraternal mention is made of Companions in their own and other Jurisdictions. In conclusion of his address he says:

“I am thankful that the spirit of truth and brotherly love is getting hold of the people of the earth, because of the efforts of the Masonic Fraternity, and that the mist-clad purpling hill tops are being covered with Masonic light that shall gladden the earth; that the onward march of the Royal Craft in Texas, in increased membership, in increased funds for the relief of those knocking at our doors, are evidences of the increased good that will come to bless our Companions and mankind in the future.”

The proceedings contain a photograph of the newly elected Grand High Priest, M. E. O. O. CHRISTMAN.

It also contains a complete report of the Board of Directors of the Home for Aged Masons, located at Arlington, Texas, and supported by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence reviews forty-six Grand Jurisdictions and covers 126 pages. Pennsylvania seems to have been left out.

The Grand Treasurer reports a cash balance of \$65,340.03.

The Grand Secretary reports 285 chartered Chapters, eight working under dispensations, six of which were instituted since June. Total membership, 33,313.

M. E. Companion O. O. CHRISTMAN was elected Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion T. M. BARTLEY re-elected Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

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### UTAH, 1920.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Utah convened in its Ninth Annual Convocation at Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City, on Wednesday, May 5, 1920, A. I. 2450, at 10 A. M. M. E. Companion CHARLES F. DINSMORE, Grand High Priest, called the Convocation to order, and the roll was called.

There being a constitutional number of Chapters represented, the Most Excellent Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* after prayer by Companion W. H. BUCKLEY, of Alpena Chapter, of Michigan, acting as Grand Chaplain. All the Grand Officers present except Grand Chaplain, Grand Master of the Third Vail and Grand Master of the First Vail. Three Past Grand High Priests present; ten Past High

Priests, not officers in the Grand Chapter, present. Twenty-one Grand Representatives responded to roll call. They were received with honors and welcomed by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

The Representative for Pennsylvania was not present. The Committee on Visitations presented Companion FRED C. RICHMOND, Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, of Utah, who was received with grand honors, welcomed by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest and escorted to a seat in the East.

The address of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest refers to the doings in his Grand Jurisdiction.

He speaks feelingly of the faces they miss, that were familiar and dear to us, who took an active part in our organization, among which were the Grand Correspondent, Companion A. S. CHAPMAN, and Companion HENRY HUGHES, Past Deputy Grand High Priest.

He states he finds considerable interest exhibited in Capitular Masonry and the Chapters conferring the work in a creditable manner.

Exchange of courtesies with other Jurisdictions in arranging the work of conferring degrees on candidates of other Jurisdictions.

He recommends that they recognize the recently organized Grand Chapter of British Columbia and establish an exchange of Grand Representatives.



Dispensations were granted subordinate Chapters to hold their regular convocation at other than the regular time. The Committee of Doings of Grand Officers approve of all his actions and congratulate him on the zeal and energy he has displayed in his activities for the Royal Craft throughout the past year.

He visited several Chapters during the year. He says he enjoyed their hospitality and witnessed the degrees exemplified in a very creditable manner.

I quote his closing remarks:

“As I surrender the gavel that you by your ballot intrusted to my care one year ago I wish to thank you sincerely for the honor you conferred on me. We have not accomplished great things during the past year but what has been done was in my humble judgment foremost to promote Capitular Masonry and cultivate a friendly feeling in our midst.

“I do not consider my toils at an end and it is my desire to continue to always be at your service and subject to your call.

“I wish to thank my associate Officers for the many kindnesses and able assistance rendered me in fulfilling the duties of the office.”

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported that peace and harmony has prevailed in the Jurisdiction, and nothing has been referred to them.

A vote of thanks was extended by unanimous action to the Salt Lake Chapters for their cordial reception and kind hospitality.

There are no reports of the actions of sister Jurisdictions. The correspondent, Companion PETER A. SIMPKIN, states after completing the review of the

year, a lengthy but enjoyable task, Grand Chapter brings to light the fact that with the present prices of paper and composition, wisdom and a proper economy fail to justify the expense incident to printing the report as submitted.

*Hard lines for the Correspondent. He has our sympathy.*

A photograph of M. E. Companion CHARLES S. DINSMORE, Grand High Priest, and E. Companion HENRY HUGHES, Past Deputy Grand High Priest, adorns the proceedings.

The Grand Secretary reports a net gain of members of 34. Total membership, 818.

The result of the election at the afternoon session was:

M. E. Companion LEE B. WRIGHT, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion WALTER DANIELS, re-elected Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

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### UTAH, 1921.

The Tenth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Utah convened at Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City, on

Wednesday, May 4, 1921, A. I. 2451, at ten o'clock A. M. M. E. Companion LEE B. WRIGHT, Grand High Priest, called the Convocation to order and directed the Grand Secretary to call the roll of the Grand Officers and Representatives of Chapters. All the Grand Officers except Royal Arch Captain were present. His station was filled by temporary appointment. Five Past Grand High Priests honored the Grand Chapter with their presence. Nineteen Past High Priests, not officers of the Grand Chapter, were also present.

The R. E. Companion W. J. LYNCH, Grand Commander of the State of Utah, was introduced and received with grand honors. He responded to the reception and invited all Companions eligible to the Grand Commandery to be held in May, 1921. Twenty-one Grand Representatives for sister Jurisdictions responded to roll call. The Representative for Pennsylvania was not present.

The address of the M. E. Grand High Priest is concise, quite interesting and to the point. I quote his opening paragraphs:

“COMPANIONS:—It affords me great pleasure to welcome you to the Tenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, of Utah, and to note the presence of so many who have, for a brief time, put aside their several occupations in civil life to aid us by their counsel and encourage us by their attendance. We are impressed with the fact that this Grand Body is composed of the leading men of affairs in the business and professional life of the State, and that the lessons of the Capitular Degrees in Masonry have a deep and compelling significance to those who think most about them.



“We are often most unmindful of God’s blessings when we have cause to be most grateful. It is true that several of our Companions have been called from labor to rest. The Committee on Necrology will pay a tribute of respect to their memory, which will become a permanent record of this occasion. But no office has been made vacant by a visitation from the ‘Grim Reaper,’ and we enter into the new Masonic year with our numbers augmented and with high hopes that our labors will meet with still greater reward.”

He visited every Chapter within the Jurisdiction during the year.

It is true, as he states, there are some advantages in having a Jurisdiction small enough so that the Grand High Priest can make such visitations and know such a large proportion of the Companions by their first names.

Certain members of a subordinate Chapter had executed a petition for dispensation to form a new Chapter, and their right to vote in their Chapter was challenged under that section (22) of the By-laws pertaining to constituent Chapters. The section reads: “Existing membership in this Jurisdiction of petitioners for dispensation to form a new Chapter shall remain in abeyance: when dispensation is granted and when charter follows, membership may cease in the old and begin in the new Chapter, or he may retain membership in the old Chapter at his option.”

He decided: “We held that under that section a ‘petitioner’ is one who presents, not one who merely signs such a petition and that the members of the

Chapter who had signed the petition were entitled to vote in their Chapter until the presentation of it to the Grand High Priest." We quote his closing paragraphs:

"The past year has been made a particularly pleasant one to your Grand High Priest by reason of good-will, harmony and enthusiasm, which has been everywhere present throughout the jurisdiction. No hint of discord has existed,—only the most kindly and fraternal feeling has been manifested. This condition is all the more striking by reason of the spirit of unrest elsewhere evident, attributable, in large measure, probably, to the aftermath of the World War.

"We must not forget that other institutions than ours have for their object the betterment of their fellowman and that their work is not competitive with ours. Let there be no jealousy or criticism of them, lest we provoke opposition, which will but detract us from the goal we seek to attain. Particularly is this true of those other institutions which are composed of those who entered upon the work with us as Entered Apprentices. There is need for every worker and doer of good deeds, and we wish them well under whatever banner enlisted.

"We cannot close without an acknowledgment to our Companions for their uniform courtesy and help throughout the year. No aid has been asked which has not been given, and that has, in many instances, required much time and effort on the part of the Companions so called upon. By virtue of his office and his long service and faithfulness, our Grand Secretary was best able and was most often called upon for assistance, which was always promptly and cheerfully given. E. C. Grand Secretary DANIELS is as nearly indispensable as one Companion can be to this Grand Chapter.

"And now, Companions, your long and valuable service to the Craft, resulting in your membership in this Grand Chapter, as accredited representatives of the constituent Chapters of Utah, is a guaranty that this Convocation will be a pleasant and profitable one."

The Committee on Necrology tendered their report, which was adopted with a recommendation that the memorial pages be dedicated to the deceased Companions.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported that no matters had been referred to them, therefore they had nothing to report, which would indicate that peace and harmony had prevailed.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Salt Lake Chapters for their cordial welcome and kind hospitality tendered the Grand Chapter.

The proceedings of Pennsylvania are not reviewed by the Committee on Correspondence.

A photograph of M. E. Companion LEE B. WRIGHT, Grand High Priest, adorns the first page of the proceedings.

The Grand Secretary reports a net gain of membership, 119; a gain of sixteen per cent. over the preceding year. Total membership, 937.

M. E. ROBERT W. FISHER was elected Grand High Priest.

R. E. WALTER DANIELS re-elected Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

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## VERMONT.

The One Hundred and Fourth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Vermont convened in Masonic Temple, in the City of Burlington, at nine o'clock A. M., on Friday, the 17th day of June, 1921.



The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form*. All the Officers of the Grand Chapter, five District Deputy Grand High Priests, eighteen Past Grand High Priests, twenty-one Grand Representatives and ninety-seven representatives of subordinate Chapters present. Representative for Pennsylvania not present.

NEWTON R. McILVAINE, Past Grand Master of the Second Vail of the Grand Chapter of New York, honored the Grand Chapter by his presence.

The address of the Grand High Priest is brief but a good one; covers the business and activities of the Grand Chapter for the year. He attended several district meetings during the year. He reports the meetings he attended, the Companions were enthusiastic, the work was of a very high order, the officers of the various Chapters showing a marked improvement in ritual and floor work from year to year.

Eight dispensations were granted for work in the several Chapters. The reasons given for their requests were such as to merit favorable consideration. They met the approval of the Committee of Jurisprudence as being in accord with the established law and usages.

He pays a loving tribute to the memory of Past Grand High Priest SILAS H. DANFORTH, of their Jurisdiction, and recommended that a page be set apart in the proceedings to his memory.

Fraternal mention of the deaths of Companions of the General Grand Chapter and of sister Jurisdictions is made.

No decisions were made.

I quote his closing words:

“And now, Companions, the report of my official acts is before you for consideration; the time has arrived when I must return to you the trust you bestowed on me one year ago. If I have failed in any way it has been from lack of judgment and not intentionally, and I ask your indulgence.

“I have tried faithfully to fulfill the duties of the office. Before laying aside the emblem of authority, I wish to express my deep appreciation of the many kindnesses received from your hands during my term of office, and finally, Companions, may prosperity and happiness abide with you, and the God of our Fathers ever bless and keep you.”

The proceedings contain, on the first page, a photograph of the M. E. Grand High Priest CHARLES A. LANG.

It also contains a comprehensive report by M. E. Companion EUGENE S. WESTON on the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter of the United States.

This is of no particular interest to the Companions of our Grand Chapter, for we are not members of the General Grand Chapter, nor do I think we ever will be.

M. E. Companion EUGENE S. WESTON, P. G. H. P., reviews the proceedings of fifty-two Jurisdictions. Pennsylvania is accorded nearly two pages. In re-

ference to Lodges of Mark Master Masons he says: "Their Lodges of Mark Master Masons remains the same, but there is a loss in membership of ten. Pennsylvania is the only Jurisdiction on this side of the world that has Lodges of Mark Master Masons separate from the Chapter."

He also refers to conferring degrees at sight. He says:

"Pennsylvania is the only Grand Jurisdiction that claims the prerogative of conferring the degrees at sight. Past Grand High Priest McCONNELL started the custom and we expect every Grand High Priest will want to follow suit."

I will give one more extract from his report:

"Another decision was that smoking in the body of the open Chapter is prohibited. This decision would not be needed in Vermont, as we have always had more respect for the institution than to transgress in this particular. The writer has been an active member of the Fraternity for half a century and never saw it attempted in any Masonic Body in Vermont. In fact, I have only seen it once, and that was in a Lodge in Virginia, where the members indulged in smoking during the conferring of the Third Degree."

I fear our good Companion is laboring under a grave misapprehension if he thinks, as I infer from his remarks, that the Companions of Pennsylvania indulge in smoking in the body of the open Chapter. Pennsylvania Masons do not smoke in either Lodge or Chapter. I presume the decision of the Grand High Priest was in answer to a question inquiring if it might be allowable.

The Grand Secretary reports, number chartered Chapters, 30; total membership, 5,362; a net gain for the year of 469.



The Grand Treasurer's report shows balance on hand, June 17, 1921, \$5,310.65; also \$12,000 in Liberty Bonds, making a total of \$17,310.65.

M. E. Companion CHRISTIE B. CROWELL was elected Grand High Priest and R. E. Companion HENRY H. REOSS, re-elected Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

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### VICTORIA.

Quarterly Convocations of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Victoria were held at Melbourne, July 16, October 15, 1919, and January 21 and April 21, 1920. M. E. Companion W. P. BICE, Grand Z., presided at each of these, and the Grand Chapter was duly opened in *Ample, Ancient and Solemn Form*.

In one of the Quarterly Convocations we note the following communication by M. E. Companion W. P. BICE, First Grand Principal:

“ ‘Peace has been signed, and thus ends the greatest war in history. I join with you in thanking God.’ These nineteen simple words, spoken by His Majesty King George a few days ago to the enthusiastic crowds outside Buckingham Palace, express, I think, all that is in our hearts at this time, and we, too, can earnestly join in thanking God that peace has been signed—a peace that will, we trust, be a just and lasting peace, one that will remove from the world the fear of war, and that will forever remind us of the great sacrifices by which it was gained. Before closing Grand Chapter this evening, we will again join in thanksgiving to the Most High for the deliverance He has granted to us, and for the vindication of right against might, of liberty and fraternity against despotic rule.”

Beautiful and impressive sentiment.

He paid tributes of respect to the memories of several Grand Officers who died during the year.

Two Chapters were consecrated during the year.

Many pleasing official visitations were made, and much work participated in, installation of officers, conferring of degrees, etc., are reported to widely separated Chapters, journeys made during the first quarter alone totalling 1,760 miles.

Recognition of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia, with interchange of Representatives, was extended at the Grand Convocation held October 15, 1919. Consideration of the request for fraternal recognition by the Grand Chapter of Queensland was postponed, pending the result of a referendum to be taken in the English and Scottish Craft Lodges of Queensland, the result of which is expected to "restore unity," and will incidentally affect the question of recognition.

Reviewing briefly the past year, he expressed his pleasure at the continued progress made, the gain in membership being fifty per cent. better than the preceding year, which was also a record and that a gratifying interest and enthusiasm are shown in Chapter work, particularly in the country districts, as shown by the long distances some of the Com-

panions travel. During the last ten years they have more than doubled their membership.

There are at the close of the year, 1919, twelve metropolitan Chapters, with a membership of 734, and 13 county Chapters, with a membership of 640. Total membership, 1,374. The net gain during the year has been 177.

The Grand Treasurer reports the accumulated account shows a balance of £603:3:0.

At the Quarterly Convocation held at Freemasons' Hall, Collins Street, Melbourne, Wednesday, January 21, 1920, R. E. Companion W. A. CALLAWAY, P. G. H. P., gave an interesting address on "Ceremonial and Character." We quote, in part, the following:

"During the course of his remarks, Companion CALLAWAY delved deeply into his subject, and showed that he had prepared something of more than ordinary intelligence. His thoughts on the value of ceremonial work and ritualistic beauties betrayed his belief that it is of little value unless exemplified in a forceful manner. He did not ridicule or suggest its abolition, but rather advocated that it were better left undone unless conducted with sublime sincerity. He claimed that Ceremonial could not be dissociated from F. M. any more than ritual could be eliminated from certain church services. but it was a mistake to esteem it as the chief part of the structure, being no more than a mere framework round which the edifice of character was erected. Words, after all, were only symbols of the thought behind them. He illustrated the preacher accustomed to the use of words without the practical knowledge of human nature, or his inability to lift mankind to a higher plane."

No report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence appears in the proceedings.



M. E. Companion W. B. BICE, G. Z., First Grand Principal.

R. E. Companion G. L. MARQUAND, P. G. J., Grand Scribe E.

V. E. Companion R. A. COLENZO, Grand Scribe N.

They were re-elected at the Quarterly Convocation, Wednesday, April 21, 1920.

They were, after prayer, duly obligated, installed and proclaimed, and the usual honors were accorded.

H. G. B.

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## VIRGINIA.

The One Hundred and Thirteenth Grand Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Masons of Virginia convened in Masonic Temple, in the City of Richmond, Tuesday, October 26, 1920, at eight o'clock P. M., when, after prayer by Companion F. T. McFADDEN, D. D., Grand Chaplain, the Grand Royal Arch Chapter was opened in *Solemn Form* by M. E. Grand High Priest, JOHN T. COCHRAN.

All of the Grand Officers were present. Seventy Chapters represented.

The Grand High Priest's address and report as Grand Lecturer was read, both offices being held by

the same Companion. I quote the opening paragraphs:

“To the Companions of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Virginia:—It gives me great pleasure to extend to you, my Companions, a most cordial and hearty welcome to our One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Convocation. I desire to welcome, especially, those who are in attendance for the first time. Let us unite in offering thanks to our Heavenly Father, for the manifold blessings and comforts He has bestowed upon us during the past year, and invoke His guidance and protection during the sessions of this Convocation.

“Gazing from the porch of my home towards the West, one may see in the foreground, fattened cattle, feeding over the rolling hills of the blue grass pastures of Piedmont Valley, now somewhat browned from the autumn weather; beyond, are apple orchards with bending boughs of red fruit; fields of harvested corn, picturesque with their thick and well filled shocks; fields of growing wheat (a promise of next year's harvest); and in the distant background of this rural beauty, we behold the Blue Ridge Mountains, twenty miles away, in view north and south for thirty miles, like the great Chinese wall, over which a storm approaches; clouds gather, the sun is obscured, lightning flashes, thunder reverberates, the cattle, terrified, seek shelter. After an hour of this turmoil the storm passes. Nothing has been harmed, not a leaf nor an apple is dislodged, the cattle, now quiet, resume their feeding, the grass is freshened, the foliage beautified by the rain, and the mountains appear but nearer and of deeper hue in the clarified atmosphere. So it is, Companions, with our peace-loving country; sometimes disturbed by unrest, strikes and occasional violence, and now in the throes of a heated political campaign, but our staunch ship of State will weather these storms, as in the past, if each of us will but perform our full duty, no matter how small or obscure it may be.

“This year, occupying as I do by your graciousness, the dual role of Grand High Priest and Grand Lecturer, I find, that in rendering my report, it is somewhat difficult to separate the two, and shall, therefore, combine my official visitations in one report.”

As Grand Lecturer he made forty-five official visits.

The Grand High Priest granted dispensations, in a few instances, to ballot upon petitions, without

waiting the statutory time. He had no questions presented that could not be covered by the Digest.

The twenty-eight Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions were presented by M. E. R. M. FERGUSON, and cordially welcomed by the Grand High Priest.

The second day of the Grand Convocation was opened in *Solemn Form* on Wednesday, October 27, 1920, at eight o'clock P. M., at which time the following distinguished visitors were received:

M. Ex. J. H. ANDERSON, Grand High Priest of North Carolina, was presented by M. Ex. R. M. FERGUSON, introduced by the Grand High Priest, and addressed the Companions in a most delightful manner, extending hearty greetings from his own State, and extending a cordial welcome to such of us as may visit his Grand Jurisdiction.

Rt. Em. Sir GEORGE C. CABELL, Grand Commander, of Norfolk, Va., was presented by M. Ex. JOHN T. COCHRAN, and made a happy response in his own eloquent style.

The report of Committee on Grand High Priest's Address unanimously approved of his decisions and the able manner he had fulfilled the duties of office.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows the following:

Balance on hand September 24, 1919 .....	\$797 23
Receipts, November 15, 1919, to September 30, 1920 .....	6,240 10
Total .....	\$7,037 33
Expenses, October 30, 1919, to October 18, 1920 .....	6,851 20
Total .....	\$186 13
Investments, Richmond City Bonds and Interest .....	1,500 00
Total .....	\$1,686 13



The Grand Secretary's report shows a total membership of 11,539; net gain for 1920, 1,867.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence report was compiled by Companion JOSEPH W. EGGLESTON. He reviews the proceedings of twenty-nine Jurisdictions. It does credit to the writer. We are given a lengthy and favorable review.

An engraving of the Grand High Priest-Elect M. E. Companion E. FENNO HEATH, is shown on the first page of the proceedings.

M. E. Companion JOHN T. COCHRAN, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion J. GUS HANKINS, Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.

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## WASHINGTON.

The Thirty-seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Washington was held at Seattle, Washington. The Convocation was called Monday, May 2, 1921 at ten o'clock A. M., and three thirty o'clock P. M., and Tuesday, May 3, 1921, at nine thirty o'clock A. M., all sessions being opened in *Ample Form*.

M. E. Companion FREDERICK W. CRAIG, General Grand High Priest, was escorted to the Grand East and received with an address of welcome by M. E. Companion HENRY L. KENNAN, Past Grand High Priest.

Companion CRAIG responded to the same in behalf of the 600,000 Royal Arch Masons whom he represents.

The Grand Chapter was opened by M. E. Grand High Priest FREDERICK LAU JANECK.

All of the Grand Officers were present. Thirty-seven Chapters represented; two not represented.

The address of the Grand High Priest reviews the work of the year. He reports the increase in membership has been beyond that of any previous year, and trusts that it has been for the desire of further knowledge and enlightenment in Masonry, and not only a stepping stone for "higher degrees" to reach that so-called "playground" in Masonry, and that the labors of the officers conferring the degrees have left a lasting impression on the candidates. We heartily join in these sentiments.

Dispensations for two new Chapters were granted. Most fittingly and with sorrow announces the death of M. E. Companion NATHAN SMITH PORTER,

Past Grand High Priest, and suitable mention of the death of Companions of other Jurisdictions.

No request for official ruling coming to his attention, that was not covered by the code, he had none to report.

He recommends the per capita tax be reduced from seventy-five to fifty cents, the reduction giving them sufficient funds to carry on the work.

He recommends that it be the duty of the Deputy Grand High Priests to visit the Chapters.

I quote his closing remarks:

“The records of my official acts are before you. If they but in a small measure meet with your approbation, I shall feel that my labors have not been in vain.

“Especially do I feel indebted to the Grand Officers for their untiring efforts in imparting knowledge and assistance rendered the Chapters throughout the State, as their reports show. Particularly at this time I wish to thank our Grand Secretary, who was always ready and willing to lend his wise counsel and valuable assistance, and to do much to lighten the duties devolving upon me.

“As to my appreciation of the high honor conferred upon me by this Grand Body, words fail me. My gratitude can be best expressed by my future endeavor to serve our time-honored institution to the utmost of my power in any capacity that occasion may present.”

Owing to the sudden death of Companion BLALICK so soon after the Annual Convocation, the report of Foreign Correspondence was brief, twenty-four proceedings reviewed. Pennsylvania was omitted.



A portrait of the M. E. Grand High Priest adorns the first page of the proceedings.

The election resulted in the election of JOHN MARTIN ARNSTIN, M. E. Grand High Priest, and TANCY CRAWFORD BLALICK, R. E. Grand Secretary.

### The Grand Secretary reported:

Total membership December 31, 1920 .....	6,501
Net gain for year .....	1,064

### Grand Treasurer reports:

Balance on hand as per last report .....	\$4,988 30
Receipts .....	6,486 00
Expenditures .....	4,372 31
Balance .....	7,101 99
Investments .....	2,500 00

M. E. Companion FREDERICK LAU JANECK, M. E. Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion TANCY CRAWFORD BLALICK, R. E. Grand Secretary.

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## WEST VIRGINIA.

The Fiftieth Grand Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia was held in the City of Huntington, on Monday and Tuesday, November 8 and 9, A. D. 1920, A. I. 2450, at seven o'clock P. M.

All the Grand Officers but two present. Fifteen Past Grand High Priests, fifty-four Representatives

of other Grand Chapters near that of West Virginia and thirty-five representatives of subordinate Chapters present.

The Representative of Pennsylvania was present.

The Grand Representatives were received with Grand Honors, and a most appropriate address by the Grand Chaplain, full of suggestions which should appeal to the hearts of all true Americans, ending by asking all Royal Arch Masons to stand up bravely for God and Country.

The M. E. Grand High Priest, THOMAS M. TURNER, presented his report. It is a complete review of the business of the year. In the opening remarks he says: "I deeply felt and now feel the great responsibilities of the Office, and inability to perform the duties devolved upon me in a manner equal to distinguished predecessors. However, all my acts and actions have been performed with but one idea in view, that of the advancement of Capitular Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction."

He reports our great Order has witnessed peace, good fellowship and general prosperity throughout the Jurisdiction.

He pays a glowing tribute to the memory of E. Companion HARRY L. BROH, Grand Captain of the Host, who died March 1, 1920.

In the long list of the Illustrious dead of other Grand Jurisdictions is included that of our dear

Companion M. E. Past Grand High Priest J. HENRY WILLIAMS.

In the list of appointments of Grand Representatives, we find the name of M. E. Companion BENJAMIN A. CRUTHERS, Past Grand High Priest, as the Representative of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, as of date September 15, 1920.

With the Grand Lecturer, he attended the School of Instruction, and reports the work exemplified in a creditable manner, and recommended that the Grand Chapter make arrangements for the holding of the mid-year School of Instruction for the coming year.

He visited quite a number of Chapters during the year, in which he was cordially received and entertained.

Two new Chapters were constituted.

A number of courtesies received and asked are reported. Peace and harmony existing throughout the Jurisdiction, there is no record of any decisions made.

I quote his closing remarks:

“I have now, my Companions, spread before you a record of my official acts for the past year, the labors of which have been of a most pleasing and satisfactory character to me. I can only say, Companions, that I have tried to do my best. You did not expect less and I know you will not exact more.

“I want each one of you to feel how sincerely I appreciate and how grateful I am for the great honor you have conferred upon me by electing me Grand High Priest. To my associate officers and all other members of



the Grand Chapter, and to the officers and members of the various Chapters I have visited, I owe a debt of gratitude for their fraternal courtesies that mere words of thanks cannot express.”

At the second session on Tuesday following, the following Companions were elected, proclaimed and installed:

Companion WALTER J. BOYDSON, M. E. Grand High Priest.

Companion GEORGE M. FORD, R. E. Grand Secretary.

#### The Committee on Jurisprudence reports:

“We, your Committee on Capitular Jurisprudence, herewith report that we have read and considered the Annual Address of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, and we find that in each instance his construction of Capitular law is correct, and in accordance with the established customs and usages obtaining in this Grand Chapter; and that he has applied the same to the particular matters coming before him promptly and with commendable zeal.

“We find that his administration of the affairs of his office has been wise, conservative, safe and business-like throughout.”

#### The Committee on Grievances and Appeals report:

“To the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of West Virginia. Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals reports that there were no petitions before the Committee for consideration.”

The Grand Secretary reports total membership, 9,351.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, \$27,108.32; disbursements, \$6,825.32; balance, \$20,283.

There is no report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

The proceedings contain a picture of the newly-elected Grand High Priest, also a page dedicated to the memory of the distinguished Companions of sister Jurisdictions that died during the year 1920.

M. E. Companion T. H. TURNER, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion G. M. FORD, Grand Secretary.

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### WISCONSIN.

The Seventy-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wisconsin was opened in *Ample Form*, in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, corner Van Buren and Oneida Streets, in the City of Milwaukee, on Tuesday, February 15, 1921, at two o'clock P. M.

All the Grand Officers were present. One hundred Chapters represented.

The address of the Grand High Priest is very interesting, from which I quote the opening paragraphs:

“Dear Companions: Another milestone of this Grand Chapter has passed and through the guiding hand of the Great I AM, we have safely arrived in port. I extend to you all a hearty welcome and true fraternal greeting, to this, the Seventy-first Annual Convocation.

“May the deliberations and actions taken while we are assembled prove of lasting benefit to our beloved Order. To those who meet with us for the first time, may you receive such help from being here, and take home to your Chapters the fraternal spirit that will be an inspiration to your Companions and a lasting benefit to all Royal Arch Masons.

“The past year has been one of progress. The growth of the Order is the largest in its history; and peace, harmony and good fellowship prevail throughout the entire jurisdiction. Today we have ninety-seven chartered Chapters, and five under dispensation, with a total membership of 17,043, a gain of 2,164 for the year.

“One year ago you placed the ship of Royal Arch Masonry under my guidance and care. I wish to express my grateful thanks for the honor bestowed. Conscious of my shortcomings, I trust the report of my stewardship will be received with the same consideration with which I have been received in such official duties as I have been privileged to perform. The hour has now arrived to take up the duties for which we are assembled and may they redound with so much good for all of us, that we can all say, ‘It was well to have been there.’

#### NECROLOGY.

“The hand of Providence has dealt very gently with us this past year. I am pleased to report an unbroken chain of Grand Officers and no loss in our permanent members.

“The reports of the subordinate Chapters show two hundred two of our Companions have been called to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns.

“Let us honor the memory of our deceased Companions by standing—and in silent prayer ask the blessing of God on our present undertaking.”

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reviews forty-three Jurisdictions and covers forty-three pages of the proceedings. Pennsylvania is fraternally reviewed.

He only had two decisions to make, both being covered by the Constitution.

The Grand High Priest granted ten dispensations, three of which were requests to receive and act on petitions out of time. I quote the Grand High Priest in the following:

“In granting the dispensations to receive and act on petitions in less than lawful time, while the Constitution is very plain, here were cases of Brothers who on account of their work were unable to remain long enough in one place to gain jurisdiction.”



The points in the following are well taken and I feel would be of interest:

“One year ago the Grand High Priest called the attention of the Companions in his address regarding the posting of candidates. I feel that this is of vital interest to every Chapter, and its officers should see that this is complied with, so that when a candidate is exalted he will be in a position to visit some other Chapter, can pass a satisfactory examination, and not be placed in the position that many of our Companions are today, in never having been posted.

“In the symbolic degrees one cannot advance before he has passed a satisfactory examination. Why not in the Capitular degrees? It is the duty of every High Priest of the constituent Chapters to observe and strictly enforce this law.

“There is another matter that I wish to call to the attention of the Companions, and that is the lax methods of the most important committee in the Chapter. In Section 4, Article IX, of the Constitution, is the following:

“Every petition for the degrees shall be presented at a stated convocation of the Chapter, be recommended by two members thereof, and if received, shall be referred to a committee of three, who shall make a report thereon at some subsequent convocation of the Chapter.”

“This Committee is the safeguard of every Chapter and Capitular Masonry, when they do their duty. How many times is it done? Is it not a fact that the principal work that the Committee has been doing is to sign the recommendation on the petition? In the rapid growth that Capitular Masonry is making today I think that it is of the utmost importance that this Committee be very vigilant and active, so that when they get ready to make their report they have thoroughly investigated the standing and character of the petitioner and will know that they are recommending a Brother who will be a credit to the Chapter and an honor to Capitular Masonry. It is time for the constituent Chapters to wake up and make that Committee be the most important in place of the most lax, as it now is.”

The Grand Secretary reports the following: Total membership, January 1, 1921, 17,043, net gain for year, 2,164.

The Grand Treasurer reports a cash balance of \$18,921.61.

In addition to the above, the Grand Trustees report a total of \$10,141.58 in investments, including accrued interest. An excellent showing.

The Grand Lecturer reported he visited fifty-three Chapters and finds the work of Capitular Masonry was never in better condition than it is today.

An engraving of the newly-elected Grand High Priest is shown on the first page of the proceedings.

M. E. Companion EDWARD T. HAYBURST, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM W. PERRY, Grand Secretary.

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### WYOMING.

The Grand Chapter of Wyoming, Royal Arch Masons, met in Annual Convocation at Masonic Temple, Lander, Wyoming, on Thursday, July 14, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451, at ten o'clock A. M.

The Grand High Priest, with the assistance of the Companions present, opened the Grand Chapter in *Ample Form*, the Grand Chaplain leading the devotional exercise. All the Grand Officers present. Eight Past Grand High Priests present; fourteen Chapters represented.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM J. LYNCH, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Jurisdiction of Utah was



in Waiting and desirous of visiting Grand Chapter, when Grand High Priest SHELDON appointed a committee to retire and introduce the distinguished visitor, which they did. He was received with honors by the Grand High Priest. Companion LYNCH expressed his deep appreciation of the honor and presented an eloquent message of good will on behalf of the Grand Jurisdiction of Utah.

Twenty-two Grand Representatives were presented. Responses were made and words of kindly greeting from each of the Grand Jurisdictions represented. The Representative of Pennsylvania was not present.

The Grand High Priest then read his annual address. We quote his opening paragraphs:

“ ‘He that humbleth himself shall be exalted,’ and I feel extremely humble this day, on the occasion of the Thirteenth Annual Convocation of this Grand Body, and deeply thankful for the fortunate circumstances which one year ago placed me in the highest position that can be bestowed by this Grand Chapter.

“ ‘The sympathy, kindly counsel and friendly advice of my Companions have helped to make my task very easy and a real pleasure. I wish to thank each and every Companion for helping to share my burden of the past year, and for their efforts to promote the harmony and growth of Capitular Masonry.’ ”

He speaks in loving remembrance of the death of their Excellent Grand Chaplain, Companion Rev. GEORGE C. RAFTER, who died February 26. He states the General Grand Chapter and sister Jurisdictions have sustained sad losses in the death in many noted Companions.



Special dispensations were granted in three instances, one to hold an election and installation of officers, as, on account of weather conditions, there had not been a quorum present at regular meeting when election should have been held. Two others to install officers, they having been unavoidably absent at the time of regular installation. One dispensation was refused, when a Chapter asked to ballot on petitions without laying over the required four weeks, as required by their Statutes, in order to get candidates ready for the Shrine ceremonial.

We heartily approve his action in refusing to grant this dispensation.

In the spirit of brotherly love he extends courtesies to other sister Jurisdictions, *viz.*, request to confer degrees on elected candidates from other Grand Jurisdictions.

A number of Grand visitations were made to Chapters throughout his Jurisdiction, indicating his great interest in the work and the prosperity of his Jurisdiction.

I quote his closing paragraph, relating particularly to visitation:

“In all my visitations I have sought not to entertain nor be entertained, but to make plainer the hidden Truths of Capitular Masonry. Chapter Masonry seems to be harder to understand than ancient-craft Masonry, and by many is looked upon as a necessary evil—a stepping stone to so-called ‘higher Degrees’ in Masonry. The candidate takes the four Degrees in two to three meetings. He does not understand what it is all about, and

unless he can be induced to attend the meetings and study the work to get the real meaning, he is losing a wealth of real treasure, more precious than gold or silver, the *living, palpitating truth.*''

A recess was taken until one thirty o'clock P. M.

The Grand Chapter was convened with officers as before.

Reports of committees were submitted.

I will make note of one committee especially. "Your Committee on Grievances respectfully reports that no grievance has been presented for its consideration."

Peace and harmony prevails throughout their Grand Jurisdiction. There is no record of any decisions made.

The appendix contains the able and most interesting report on Foreign Correspondence and is by Companion SAMUEL CORSON for the Committee. He reviews fifty-four Jurisdictions, covering 118 pages.

Pennsylvania is fraternally and most favorably reviewed. His report as a whole is very complete, and satisfactory. He states it is his second report.

The proceedings contain a photograph of the M. E. Grand High Priest and Rev. GEORGE C. RAFTER, Grand Chaplain, deceased.

The financial statement shows a net increase of \$752.57 for the official year.

The Grand Secretary reports a net gain of 239 members; total membership, 1,707.

Companion CHARLES W. SHELDON, M. E. Grand High Priest.

Companion SAMUEL CORSON, P. G. H. P., R. E. Grand Secretary.

H. G. B.



## THE GRAND HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF PENNSYLVANIA, 1921.

YEAR	FIRST GRAND CHIEF	SECOND GRAND CHIEF	THIRD GRAND CHIEF	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1795	William Ball	Praise Wadman	John Service	Daniel McKarraher	P. LeBarbier Duplessis
1796	William M. Smith	"	Thomas Town	"	"
1797	Jonathan B. Smith	"	"	"	"
1799	"	"	"	"	"
1800	"	"	"	"	"
1801	"	"	"	"	"
1802	"	"	"	"	"
1803	Israel Israel	Jonathan B. Smith	"	"	"
1804	"	"	"	"	"
1805	"	"	"	"	"
1806	James Milnor	"	Frederick Wolbert	Thomas Amies	"
1807	"	"	John Phillips	"	"
1808	"	"	"	"	Thomas Passmore
1809	"	"	"	"	"
1810	"	"	Frederick Erringer	"	A. H. Cohen
1811	"	"	"	"	Andrew M. Prevost
1812	"	"	"	"	"
1813	"	Frederick Erringer	Walter Kerr	"	"
1814	Richard Tybout	"	B. Jones, Jr.	"	"
1815	Samuel F. Bradford	"	"	"	"
1816	Walter Kerr	"	James McAlpin	"	George E. Blake
1817	"	"	"	"	George A. Baker
1818	Bayse Newcomb	James McAlpin	Lambert Keatting	"	"
1819	"	Lambert Keatting	William McCorkle	"	"
1820	"	William McCorkle	Alphonso C. Ireland	"	"
1821	"	"	Nathan R. Potts	"	"
1822	Josiah Randall	Nathan R. Potts	Henry Horn	Frederick Erringer	"
1823	"	"	"	"	"
1824	Michael Nisbet	Henry Horn	Elhanen W. Keyser	"	Nathan R. Potts

YEAR	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND KING	GRAND SCRIBE	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1825	Michael Nisbet	John Steele, Jr.	Tristram B. Freeman	Frederick Erringer	Nathan R. Potts
1826	John Steele, Jr.	Tristram B. Freeman	Joseph S. Riley	"	"
1827	Tristram B. Freeman	Joseph S. Riley	John M. Read	"	Samuel H. Thomas
1828	Joseph S. Riley	John M. Read	Samuel H. Perkins	"	"
1829	John M. Read	Samuel H. Perkins	Thomas Kittera	Joseph S. Riley	"
1830	"	"	Enos S. Gandy	"	"
1831	"	"	"	"	"
1832	Samuel H. Perkins	Enos S. Gandy	John Y. Black	"	"
1833	"	"	"	"	"
1834	Enos S. Gandy	John Y. Black	Joseph R. Chandler	"	John M. Read
1835	John Y. Black	Joseph R. Chandler	Francis Cooper	"	Samuel H. Perkins
1836	Joseph R. Chandler	Francis Cooper	George S. Schott	"	"
1837	"	"	"	"	Samuel M. Stewart
1838	"	"	"	Charles Stout	"
1839	"	"	"	"	"
1840	"	Alexander Diamond	George Smith	"	"
1841	Alexander Diamond	George Smith	William Whitney	"	Bayse Newcomb
1842	"	William Whitney	William Barger	"	Michael Nisbet
1843	William Whitney	William Barger	John G. Russell	"	"
1844	"	"	John W. McGrath	John Thomson	William H. Adams
1845	William Barger	John W. McGrath	John J. Krider	"	"
1846	"	"	James Simpson	"	"
1847	John W. McGrath	John J. Krider	"	"	"
1848	John J. Krider	James Simpson	David C. Skerrett	"	"
1849	James Simpson	David C. Skerrett	Edward P. Lescure	"	"
1850	David C. Skerrett	Edward P. Lescure	Ant. Bournonville	"	"
1851	"	"	"	"	"
1852	Edward P. Lescure	Ant. Bournonville	Robert Frazer	"	"
1853	"	"	"	"	"
1854	Ant. Bournonville	Harman Baugh	Robert McCulloch	"	"
1855	Harman Baugh	John C. Smith	Daniel Thompson	"	"
1856	"	"	"	"	"
1857	John C. Smith	Daniel Thompson	Jere. L. Hutchinson	"	"

YEAR	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND KING	GRAND SCRIBE	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1858	Daniel Thompson	Benjamin Parke	Harman Yerkes	John Thomson	William H. Adams
1859	"	"	"	"	"
1860	Benjamin Parke	Harman Yerkes	Jere. L. Hutchinson	"	"
1861	Harman Yerkes	Jere. L. Hutchinson	George W. Wood	Peter Williamson	"
1862	Jere. L. Hutchinson	George W. Wood	Samuel C. Perkins	"	"
1863	"	"	"	"	"
1864	George W. Wood	Samuel C. Perkins	George Griscom	"	"
1865	"	"	"	"	"
1866	Samuel C. Perkins	George Griscom	Michael Nisbet	"	"
1867	"	"	"	"	"
1868	George Griscom	Michael Nisbet	Charles E. Meyer	"	John Thomson
1869	"	"	"	"	"
1870	Michael Nisbet	Charles E. Meyer	John Wilson, Jr.	"	"
1871	"	"	"	"	"
1872	Charles E. Meyer	John Wilson, Jr.	Andrew Robeno, Jr.	Thomas Brown	"
1873	"	"	"	"	"
1874	Andrew Robeno, Jr.	Robert H. Pattison	George E. Wagner	Thomas R. Patton	"
1875	"	"	"	"	"
1876	George E. Wagner	Alfred R. Potter	Wm. C. Hamilton	"	"
1877	Alfred R. Potter	William C. Hamilton	Hibbert P. John	"	"
1878	"	"	"	"	"
1879	William C. Hamilton	Hibbert P. John	Augustus R. Hall	"	"
1880	"	"	"	"	"
1881	Hibbert P. John	Augustus R. Hall	G. W. Kendrick, Jr.	"	Charles E. Meyer
1882	"	"	"	"	"
1883	Augustus R. Hall	G. W. Kendrick, Jr.	Matt's H. Henderson	"	"
1884	"	"	"	"	"
1885	G. W. Kendrick, Jr.	Matt's H. Henderson	James S. Barber	"	"
1886	"	"	"	"	"
1887	Matt's H. Henderson	James S. Barber	Alex. H. Morgan	"	"
1888	"	"	"	"	"
1889	James S. Barber	Alex. H. Morgan	Edgar A. Tennis	"	"
1890	"	"	"	"	"



YEAR	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND KING	GRAND SCRIBE	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1891	Alex. H. Morgan	Edgar A. Tennis	Ezra S. Bartlett	Thomas R. Patton	Charles E. Meyer
1892	“	“	“	“	“
1893	Edgar A. Tennis	Ezra S. Bartlett	Richard M. Johnson	“	Charles Cary
1894	“	“	“	“	“
1895	Ezra S. Bartlett	Richard M. Johnson	Michael W. Jacobs	“	“
1896	“	“	“	“	“
1897	Richard M. Johnson	Michael W. Jacobs	Edward B. Spencer	“	“
1898	“	“	“	“	“
1899	Michael W. Jacobs	Edward B. Spencer	H. Oscar Kline	“	“
1900	“	“	“	“	“
1901	Edward B. Spencer	H. Oscar Kline	J. Henry Williams	“	“
1902	“	“	“	“	“
1903	H. Oscar Kline	J. Henry Williams	William B. Meredith	“	“
1904	“	“	“	“	“
1905	J. Henry Williams	William B. Meredith	Carl A. Sundstrom	“	“
1906	“	“	“	“	“
1907	William B. Meredith	Carl A. Sundstrom	A. G. Criswell Smith	Edward B. Spencer	“
1908	“	“	“	“	“
1909	Carl A. Sundstrom	A. G. Criswell Smith	George B. Wells	“	“
1910	“	“	“	“	“
1911	A. G. Criswell Smith	George B. Wells	Winfield S. Bell	“	“
1912	“	“	“	“	“
1913	George B. Wells	Winfield S. Bell	Samuel Laughlin	“	“
1914	“	“	“	“	Stockton Bates
1915	Porter W. Lowry	Thomas McConnell, Jr.	David J. Davis	“	“
1916	“	“	“	“	George B. Wells
1917	Thomas McConnell, Jr.	David J. Davis	Joseph E. Quinby	“	“
1918	“	“	“	“	“
1919	David J. Davis	Joseph E. Quinby	John M. Core	Thomas McConnell, Jr.	“
1920	“	“	“	“	“
1921	Joseph E. Quinby	John M. Core	George P. Darrow	“	“

# THE GRAND HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF PENNSYLVANIA, 1921

## ITS CHAPTERS, PLACE AND TIME OF MEETING, AND SECRETARIES.

No.	NAME	CONSTITUTED IN	PLACE OF MEETING	TIME OF MEETING	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SECRETARY
3	Jerusalem .....	1758	Philadelphia .....	Third Monday .....	Charles S. Wood, Philadelphia
21	Perseverance .....	1827	Harrisburg .....	First Monday .....	Charles C. Schriver, Harrisburg
43	.....	1826	Lancaster .....	Third Thursday .....	Milton E. Gingrich, Lancaster
52	Harmony .....	1794	Philadelphia .....	First Friday .....	Robert J. Spratt, Philadelphia
91	Columbia .....	1822	Philadelphia .....	Third Wednesday .....	Theodore C. Knight, Philadelphia
150	Washington .....	1827	Washington .....	First Thursday .....	Wm. Bowland Ritchie, Washington
152	Reading .....	1827	Reading .....	Second Monday .....	Edward W. Roderick, Reading
159	Schuylkill .....	1838	Minersville .....	Third Thursday .....	Robert S. Hoffman, Pottsville
161	Union .....	1845	Towanda .....	Second Wednesday .....	John W. Coddington, Towanda
162	Zerubbabel .....	1836	Pittsburgh .....	First Tuesday .....	Samuel R. Caskey, Pittsburgh
163	La Fayette .....	1848	Lock Haven .....	Third Thursday .....	John R. Stevenson, Lock Haven
164	Brownsville .....	1849	Brownsville .....	Second Tuesday .....	William S. Conwell, Brownsville
165	Union .....	1849	Uniontown .....	Second Thursday .....	Luke H. Frasher, Uniontown
166	Mt. Moriah .....	1849	Holidaysburg .....	Third Tuesday .....	William Brenneman, Holidaysburg
167	Eureka .....	1849	Rochester .....	Second Friday .....	James W. Doncaster, Rochester
169	Philadelphia .....	1850	Philadelphia .....	Second Wednesday .....	John M. Zook, Philadelphia
170	Delta .....	1851	New Castle .....	First Tuesday .....	Edward L. Smith, New Castle
171	St. John's .....	1852	Carlisle .....	First Thursday .....	Thomas M. Sener, Carlisle
172	Temple .....	1853	Tunkhannock .....	Second Monday .....	Clarence O. George, Tunkhannock
173	Easton .....	1853	Easton .....	Second Thursday .....	Edward B. Arndt, Easton
174	Northumberland ..	1853	Sunbury .....	Third Tuesday .....	Charles W. Clement, Sunbury
175	Keystone .....	1853	Philadelphia .....	Fourth Monday .....	Allen C. Middleton, Philadelphia
176	George Washington	1854	Chambersburg ..	Third Monday .....	W. R. Appenzellar, Chambersburg
177	Tamaqua .....	1854	Tamaqua .....	First Friday .....	Alex. L. Oliver, Tamaqua
178	Catawissa .....	1855	Catawissa .....	Second Wednesday .....	Luther B. Kline, Catawissa
179	Eureka .....	1855	Carbondale .....	Second Wednesday .....	Horace G. Likely, Carbondale
180	Warren .....	1854	Montrose .....	Wednesday after full moon	Freeman I. Lott, Montrose
181	Lilly .....	1855	Mauch Chunk ....	Third Tuesday .....	J. Martin Ross, Mauch Chunk



No.	NAME	CONSTITUTED IN	PLACE OF MEETING	TIME OF MEETING	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SECRETARY
182	Shekinah .....	1856	Wilkes-Barre .....	Third Monday .....	Allan C. Brooks, Wilkes-Barre
183	Oriental .....	1856	Philadelphia .....	Third Thursday .....	George J. Schaefer, Philadelphia
185	Lackawanna .....	1856	Scranton .....	Second Tuesday .....	Jacob A. Frantz, Scranton
186	Lewistown .....	1856	Lewistown .....	Third Tuesday .....	Joseph S. Waream, Lewistown
187	Oriental .....	1856	Conneautville .....	Third Friday .....	Frank T. Young, Conneautville
189	Mountain .....	1858	Altoona .....	First Thursday .....	Joseph M. Howe, Altoona
190	Norristown .....	1858	Norristown .....	Second Monday .....	William E. Perry, Norristown
191	Solomon .....	1858	Meadville .....	Second Tuesday .....	Walter G. Green, Meadville
192	Urania .....	1859	Greensburg .....	Thursday after third Tuesday..	Weber A. Arter, Greensburg
193	Duquesne .....	1859	Pittsburgh .....	Second Friday .....	Harry J. Weimar, Pittsburgh
194	Tioga .....	1859	Wellsboro .....	Second Tuesday .....	Henry E. Raesly, Wellsboro
195	Portage .....	1859	Johnstown .....	Third Tuesday .....	Willis A. G. Lape, Johnstown
196	Mountain City ..	1859	Pottsville .....	Second Monday .....	Isaac Sotzin, Pottsville
197	Weidle .....	1860	Lebanon .....	Second Tuesday .....	William Winfred Walter, Lebanon
198	Phœnix .....	1861	Phœnixville .....	Second Saturday .....	Edwin H. McAllister, Phœnixville
199	Howell .....	1864	York .....	Second Wed. after first Monday	William H. Blouse, York
200	Columbus .....	1865	Corry .....	Second Tuesday .....	Perrie G. Wood, Corry
201	Standing Stone ..	1865	Huntingdon .....	Third Monday .....	William L. Johnston, Huntingdon
202	Howell .....	1866	West Chester .....	Second Monday .....	John A. Baker, Pocopson
203	Allen .....	1866	Allentown .....	First Monday .....	Guy H. Gensemer, Allentown
204	Anthony Wayne ..	1866	Honesdale .....	Second Thursday .....	Edward A. Lindsay, Honesdale
205	Factoryville .....	1866	Factoryville .....	Second Wednesday .....	Fred M. Francis, Dalton
206	Harmony .....	1866	Beaver Falls .....	First Thursday .....	Harry F. Hawkins, Beaver Falls
207	Aaron .....	1866	Titusville .....	Third Friday .....	Victor Bucher, Pleasantville
208	Germanatown .....	1866	Germanatown, Phila.	Third Monday .....	E. R. Stevens, Germanatown, Phila.
209	Samuel C. Perkins	1866	Mechanicsburg ..	Second Monday .....	Samuel E. Basehore, Mechanicsburg
210	Great Bend .....	1866	Great Bend .....	Second Thursday .....	Frederic C. Day, Hallstead
211	Venango .....	1866	Franklin .....	Second Friday .....	T. Chester Moyer, Franklin
212	Mound .....	1866	Greenville .....	Fourth Monday .....	Harry E. Davis, Greenville
214	Valley .....	1867	Plymouth .....	Fourth Friday .....	Arthur Davenport, Dorranceton
215	Temple .....	1867	Erie .....	Second Friday .....	Justin P. Slocum, Erie
216	Zinzendorf .....	1867	Bethlehem .....	Second Tuesday .....	Milton M. Mitman, Bethlehem



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217	Allegheny .....	1868	Pittsburgh, N. S.	First Friday .....	Harvey P. Wylie, Allegheny
218	Bloomsburg .....	1868	Bloomsburg .....	First Thursday .....	Albert Rhodomoyer, Bloomsburg
219	Griscom .....	1868	Ashland .....	Third Thursday .....	J. William Ritz, Ashland
220	Fort Washington..	1868	Fort Washington..	Fourth Thursday .....	John K. Earnest, Ambler
221	Tremont .....	1869	Tremont .....	First Wednesday .....	Henry H. Otto, Tremont
222	Lycoming .....	1869	Williamsport .....	Second Tuesday .....	Wm. Clarence King, Williamsport
223	Oxford .....	1869	Oxford .....	Second Wednesday .....	Joseph Leeke, Oxford
224	Corinthian .....	1869	Columbia .....	Second Tuesday .....	Luther J. Schroeder, Columbia
225	Jefferson .....	1869	Brookville .....	Third Tuesday .....	William A. Kelly, Brookville
226	Siloam .....	1869	Frankford, Phila..	Third Wednesday .....	Frank W. G. Mitchell, Phila.
227	Emporium .....	1870	Emporium .....	Third Tuesday .....	C. Ebbert Plasterer, Emporium
228	Clearfield .....	1870	Clearfield .....	Third Friday .....	Frank Urey, Clearfield
230	Elk .....	1870	Ridgway .....	Third Tuesday .....	William Patterson, Ridgway
232	St. John .....	1871	Philadelphia .....	First Tuesday .....	Robert A. Smith, Philadelphia
233	Kensington .....	1871	Philadelphia .....	Fourth Wednesday .....	Harry H. Brown, Philadelphia
234	Media .....	1871	Media .....	Fourth Monday .....	J. Harrison Campbell, Media
235	Occidental .....	1871	Warren .....	Second Monday .....	Harry F. Cogswell, Warren
236	Oil City .....	1871	Oil City .....	First Monday .....	Wm. L. Koch, Oil City
237	Excelsior .....	1871	Reading .....	Second Friday .....	William F. Kinch, Reading
238	Newport .....	1872	Newport .....	First Monday .....	Joshua S. Whitmore, Newport
239	Danville .....	1872	Danville .....	First Monday .....	Bruce A. McCracken, Danville
240	Palestine .....	1872	Philadelphia .....	Second Friday .....	Henry S. Hazlett, Philadelphia
241	Bellefonte .....	1872	Bellefonte .....	First Friday .....	William B. Rankin, Bellefonte
242	Pittston .....	1873	Pittston .....	Second Thursday .....	Louis P. Bierly, Pittston
243	T. B. Freeman ..	1873	Philadelphia .....	First Tuesday .....	Charles C. Judd, Philadelphia
244	Norman .....	1873	Sharon .....	Second Friday .....	George H. Allen, Sharon
245	Abington .....	1873	Jenkintown .....	Fourth Tuesday .....	John C. Fithian, Jenkintown
246	Warrior Run ..	1874	Watson town .....	Second Tuesday .....	Earl W. Trick, Watson town
247	Orient .....	1874	Kittanning .....	Second Monday .....	William E. McGarvey, Kittanning
248	Temple .....	1874	Philadelphia .....	Third Tuesday .....	William H. Ziegler, Philadelphia
249	Monongahela .....	1874	Monongahela .....	Third Thursday .....	Thomas C. Farquhar, Monongahela
250	Corinthian .....	1874	Philadelphia .....	First Monday .....	Samuel Sigler, Philadelphia

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251	Signet .....	1874	Philadelphia .....	Fourth Friday .....	Charles W. Kaiser, Philadelphia
252	Mizpah .....	1875	Mahanoy City ..	Second Thursday .....	Edward F. Snyder, Mahanoy City
254	Arnold .....	1877	Port Allegany ..	Second Tuesday .....	George E. Lauer, Port Allegany
255	Bedford .....	1876	Bedford .....	Third Thursday .....	Daniel W. Beam, Bedford
256	University .....	1877	Philadelphia .....	Third Tuesday .....	J. Milton Lutz, Up. Darby Br., Phila
257	Shiloh .....	1877	Pittsburgh .....	Third Monday .....	George W. Robitzer, Wilkinsburg
258	Chester .....	1877	Chester .....	Second Tuesday .....	Wesley R. Morgan, Chester
259	Eden .....	1878	Clarion .....	Second Tuesday .....	Samuel F. Brush, Clarion
260	Bradford .....	1880	Bradford .....	Third Thursday .....	Joseph A. Grow, Bradford
261	Troy .....	1882	Troy .....	First Tuesday .....	Benj. S. Greene, Troy, Bradford Co.
262	Montgomery .....	1882	Ardmore .....	Third Thursday .....	Joseph C. Egbert, Wayne
263	Coudersport .....	1882	Coudersport .....	First Wednesday .....	Harry W. Nelson, Coudersport
264	Shamokin .....	1883	Shamokin .....	Second Wednesday .....	Frank B. Fisler, Shamokin
265	Westfield .....	1883	Westfield .....	First Friday .....	Charles L. Gridley, Westfield
266	Good Samaritan ..	1886	Gettysburg .....	Third Thursday .....	Charles W. Myers, Gettysburg
267	Coatesville .....	1887	Coatesville .....	Third Thursday .....	William H. Brown, Coatesville
268	Pittsburgh .....	1888	Pittsburgh .....	Second Monday .....	Archie K. Henderson, Pittsburgh
269	Ulysses .....	1888	Ulysses .....	Second Friday .....	Homer K. Lane, Ulysses
270	Doylestown .....	1889	Doylestown .....	Second Tuesday .....	Fred 'k Constantine, Doylestown
271	Pottstown .....	1890	Pottstown .....	Third Tuesday .....	Timothy Shive, Pottstown
272	Hebron .....	1890	Meyersdale .....	Second Monday .....	Martin A. Rutter, Meyersdale
273	Butler .....	1891	Butler .....	Third Tuesday .....	William H. Miller, Butler
274	Bangor .....	1891	Bangor .....	Third Wednesday .....	Robert S. Wagner, Bangor
275	Kennett .....	1892	Kennett Square ..	First Tuesday .....	James F. Mackereth, Mendenhall
276	The Susquehanna ..	1892	Susquehanna .....	Second Friday .....	Ira H. Spencer, Susquehanna
277	Hazleton .....	1893	Hazleton .....	Third Monday .....	Ambrose W. Mason, Hazleton
278	Catasauqua .....	1894	Catasauqua .....	Second Monday .....	John S. Matchette, Catasauqua
279	Kane .....	1895	Kane .....	Third Wednesday .....	Frederick Kime, Kane
280	Cyrus .....	1898	Carnegie .....	Third Thursday .....	Jesse I. Penney, Ingram
281	Monroe .....	1898	Stroudsburg .....	Second Friday .....	Benjamin F. Morey, Stroudsburg
282	McKeesport .....	1899	McKeesport .....	Second Thursday .....	Scott M. Stewart, McKeesport
283	Connellsville .....	1900	Connellsville .....	Third Tuesday .....	Sam'l G. Zimmerman, Connellsville



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284	Melita .....	1903	Philadelphia .....	Second Monday .....	Samuel Shaw, Lansdale
285	Wilkinsburg .....	1904	Wilkinsburg .....	Second Friday .....	Albert W. Nicholson, Wilkinsburg
286	Bellevue .....	1904	Bellevue .....	Second Friday .....	Howard W. Elverson, Bellevue
287	Nanticoke .....	1908	Nanticoke .....	First Monday .....	Alfred E. Chapin, Nanticoke
288	Mizpeh .....	1908	Pittsburgh, N. S. .....	Second Tuesday .....	George R. Elwell, Pittsburgh, N. S.
289	Valley .....	1908	Wilmerding .....	Second Friday .....	John T. Small, Wilmerding
290	Monessen .....	1908	Monessen .....	Second Tuesday .....	James B. White, Monessen
291	Ezra .....	1909	South Bethlehem .....	First Friday .....	Frank P. Martenis, S. Bethlehem
292	Slatington .....	1909	Slatington .....	Third Monday .....	Peter N. Snyder, Slatington
293	Amity .....	1910	Athens .....	Second Friday .....	George D. Bonfoey, Sayre
294	Darius .....	1911	McDonald .....	Third Tuesday .....	Howell Robert Williams, McDonald
295	Siegfried .....	1913	Northampton .....	Third Tuesday .....	George P. Stem, Northampton
296	Zebulun .....	1913	Blossburg .....	Second Wednesday .....	James Roy Bonney, Blossburg
297	Homewood .....	1913	Pittsburgh .....	Second Thursday .....	William C. Beckett, Pittsburgh
298	Milton .....	1914	Milton .....	Second Friday .....	Harry A. Eberhart, Milton
299	Bellefield .....	1915	Pittsburgh .....	Third Tuesday .....	Charles L. Hannan, Pittsburgh
300	Coraopolis .....	1915	Coraopolis .....	Third Monday .....	W. Elmer Cain, Coraopolis
301	Lansdale .....	1915	Lansdale .....	Third Monday .....	Leroy K. Tyson, Lansdale
302	Jordan .....	1916	Allentown .....	First Tuesday .....	Preston J. Everett, Allentown
303	Braddock's Field..	1917	Braddock .....	First Monday .....	John H. Whitfield, Braddock
304	Yorktown .....	1917	York .....	Second Thursday after 1st Mon.	Harry K. Weiser, York
305	St. Clair .....	1920	Dormont .....	Second Thursday .....	Willard A. Laning, Pittsburgh
306	Homestead .....	1920	Homestead .....	Second Thursday .....	Samuel L. Himes, Homestead Park
307	Apollo .....	1920	Philadelphia .....	First Friday .....	George W. Ebert, Philadelphia
308	Ivanhoe .....	1921	Philadelphia .....	Third Thursday .....	Harry S. Gingrich, Philadelphia

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214	Girard .....	1847	Philadelphia .....	Second Tuesday .....	Harry E. Rulon, Philadelphia
216	Excelsior .....	1854	Philadelphia .....	Third Tuesday .....	Peter H. Brower, Philadelphia



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No.	NAME	MARKED	ADM.	DIED	RES.	SUS.	MEMB.
3	Jerusalem	104	6	25	1	5	1157
21	Perseverance	27	3	4	..	..	587
43		24	1	15	1	4	447
52	Harmony	45	1	36	2	8	1348
91	Columbia	148	5	19	8	9	1484
150	Washington	19	1	4	1	4	358
152	Reading	18	2	7	..	5	271
159	Schuykill	4	..	1	..	..	55
161	Union	17	..	5	..	..	228
162	Zerubbabel	87	2	17	2	9	1351
163	La Fayette	86	4	7	2	2	328
164	Brownsville	9	..	1	2	12	215
165	Union	14	3	3	1	..	275
166	Mont Moriah	6	2	2	..	..	131
167	Eureka	8	..	3	1	2	310
169	Philadelphia	22	5	8	4	1	281
170	Delta	8	1	4	2	3	430
171	St John's	10	3	2	..	..	172
172	Temple	12	..	5	1	..	150
173	Easton	55	2	5	..	3	491
174	Northumberland	17	..	5	..	..	239
175	Keystone	84	3	15	10	7	999
176	George Washington	15	..	4	..	2	190
177	Tamaqua	17	..	2	2	..	129
178	Catawissa	8	..	..	..	1	83
179	Eureka	26	3	2	..	..	270
180	Warren	12	..	1	1	..	82
181	Lilly	20	1	3	..	..	208
182	Shekinah	69	5	11	1	2	638
183	Oriental	134	9	34	5	11	1758
185	Lackawanna	111	6	6	2	7	691
186	Lewistown	12	..	2	..	..	154
187	Oriental	8	..	2	..	..	126
189	Mountain	46	1	4	6	..	569

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190	Norristown	26	..	9	1	..	561
191	Solomon	22	..	5	..	..	203
192	Urania	35	7	5	1	4	429
193	Duquesne	38	1	14	..	1	1000
194	Tioga	19	1	3	1	2	112
195	Portage	27	1	7	2	..	542
196	Mountain City	25	..	2	..	..	204
197	Weidle	33	1	4	2	..	286
198	Phoenix	9	..	4	..	1	289
199	Howell	30	..	3	2	..	381
200	Columbus	3	1	5	2	1	108
201	Standing Stone	7	..	2	..	..	134
202	Howell	36	2	1	..	..	263
203	Allen	61	1	3	2	..	712
204	Anthony Wayne	22	..	3	1	..	179
205	Factoryville	11	..	3	..	2	97
206	Harmony	13	..	5	..	..	289
207	Aaron	25	..	2	..	1	86
208	Germantown	86	5	13	1	2	607
209	Samuel C. Perkins	10	..	2	..	..	88
210	Great Bend	15	..	..	..	..	52
211	Venango	20	6	2	1	10	277
212	Mound	18	1	3	3	..	253
214	Valley	19	..	2	..	1	96
215	Temple	20	2	9	1	..	555
216	Zinzendorf	20	3	3	3	1	206
217	Allegheny	46	2	13	4	1	908
218	Bloomsburg	52	4	2	..	3	152
219	Griscom	12	..	3	..	..	160
220	Fort Washington	18	..	1	1	..	107
221	Tremont	9	..	1	..	5	80
222	Lycoming	56	1	8	..	1	670
223	Oxford	17	..	2	3	..	132
224	Corinthian	21	..	2	..	..	179
225	Jefferson	37	..	1	2	2	332
226	Siloam	56	..	6	3	1	594
227	Emporium	11	..	3	2	6	112
228	Clearfield	62	4	10	4	2	555
230	Elk	29	1	3	..	1	244
232	St. John	90	3	7	18	7	630
233	Kensington	41	2	13	..	5	693
234	Media	17	..	2	1	..	197

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235	Occidental	20	..	4	1	3	231
236	Oil City	50	4	6	5	1	292
237	Excelsior	53	2	5	..	3	530
238	Newport	5	..	..	..	..	96
239	Danville	14	..	1	..	..	116
240	Palestine	77	1	14	4	9	876
241	Bellefonte	42	..	3	1	..	159
242	Pittston	55	2	5	..	1	359
243	T. B. Freeman	66	1	19	2	2	998
244	Norman	9	2	5	..	4	335
245	Abington	29	2	..	..	..	220
246	Warrior Run	34	..	2	2	..	201
247	Orient	24	..	1	2	..	345
248	Temple	53	5	6	5	..	445
249	Monongahela	17	1	3	..	4	316
250	Corinthian	39	2	9	2	1	461
251	Signet	82	1	7	3	1	459
252	Mizpah	17	..	1	2	..	135
254	Arnold	4	..	..	..	..	54
255	Bedford	8	..	..	..	..	111
256	University	95	4	26	28	28	2267
257	Shiloh	47	3	14	1	..	678
258	Chester	31	1	8	1	3	503
259	Eden	15	..	3	1	2	198
260	Bradford	17	2	7	2	7	282
261	Troy	13	..	3	2	..	113
262	Montgomery	77	3	1	1	..	434
263	Coudersport	8	..	1	2	..	81
264	Shamokin	60	..	4	..	..	260
265	Westfield	19	..	3	..	2	70
266	Good Samaritan	35	..	2	..	..	224
267	Coatesville	18	..	5	..	1	311
268	Pittsburgh	59	1	7	2	3	698
269	Ulysses	5	..	1	..	1	57
270	Doylestown	28	1	2	..	..	209
271	Pottstown	30	1	7	1	8	313
272	Hebron	17	..	..	..	..	138
273	Butler	45	2	1	2	8	375
274	Bangor	6	..	2	..	..	125
275	Kennett	10	1	..	1	..	123
276	Susquehanna	3	..	2	..	..	87
277	Hazleton	22	..	4	1	..	265



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278	Catasauqua	17	..	3	1	..	170
279	Kane	11	..	1	1	1	129
280	Cyrus	28	2	3	3	2	557
281	Monroe	37	..	2	2	..	170
282	McKeesport	53	1	9	1	9	838
283	Connellsville	50	3	6	..	1	253
284	Melita	87	2	19	3	..	1027
285	Wilkinsburg	82	6	6	1	2	539
286	Bellevue	20	..	4	1	..	404
287	Nanticoke	8	1	..	..	..	40
288	Mizpeh	21	2	1	1	5	304
289	Valley	16	..	1	..	2	234
290	Monessen	19	..	1	..	..	285
291	Ezra	31	..	1	..	..	205
292	Slatington	8	1	1	..	..	103
293	Amity	10	3	1	..	..	196
294	Darius	8	..	..	4	..	145
295	Siegfried	20	..	..	..	1	155
296	Zebulun	20	..	2	..	1	81
297	Homewood	91	3	1	..	..	383
298	Milton	2	..	1	..	..	134
299	Bellefield	45	..	1	..	..	301
300	Coraopolis	20	..	..	..	1	152
301	Lansdale	31	..	..	..	..	160
302	Jordan	14	..	1	..	..	283
303	Braddock's Field	14	..	1	..	..	128
304	Yorktown	127	1	3	..	..	475
305	St. Clair	39	..	1	..	..	210
306	Homestead	19	1	1	..	..	153
307	Apollo	71	7	2	..	..	198
308	Ivanhoe	24	35	..	..	..	59
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